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## DETERMINATION OF ALLIES TO PROSECUTE ECONOMIC WAR TO THE UTMOST OF THEIR POWER

### Full Statement By Prime Minister

LONDON, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—Reviewing the progress of the war, in the House of Commons, since his statement in Parliament a fortnight ago, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who was received with cheers, referred to the last meeting of the Supreme War Council which, he said, gave them the opportunity to welcome the French Premier, M. Reynaud, as the President of the Council.

The Supreme War Council reviewed developments in the strategic situation since their last meeting and took various important decisions regarding the future line of action by the Allies.

This was not the occasion to reveal the terms of those decisions but "I dare say the House will have no great difficulty in guessing at the general nature and tenor of the discussions which were so harmoniously conducted."

In the meantime, what emerged from the meeting and was displayed to the public eye was a solemn declaration to which the two Governments set their hands. In recent months collaboration and the interests and security of the two nations.

Mr. Chamberlain said he had already mentioned the financial agreement last December.

"Since then, we have expanded our arrangements to cover commercial questions and the supply of munitions and, only the other day, the Colonial Secretary met his French colleagues in Paris where they together agreed on plans for the closest co-operation."

"By a solemn declaration our two Governments have now extended the scope of these arrangements to all spheres affecting the interests and security of the two nations."

#### COMPLETE UNITY

Mr. Chamberlain then read the full text of the declaration, issued on Mar. 28, and said: "If this declaration had dealt only with the conduct of the war, it might have Continued on Back Page

### Commons' Regrets

LONDON, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—In the House of Commons, the Speaker reported the death of Sir John Gilmour, Minister of Shipping and former Home Secretary, and expressed "our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives."

The Speaker said that he had also sent a message to the New Zealand House of Representatives expressing profound regret at the news of Mr. M. J. Savage, Premier of New Zealand.

#### SCAVENGERS' STRIKE OFF

CALCUTTA, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—The scavengers' strike, which was started on Mar. 28 as the result of about 15,000 scavengers demanding a 20 per cent. increase in wages, was called off today. In the course of the strike, ten people died from cholera.

### SAW FATHERS DECORATED BY KING

Two ten-year-old girls saw their fathers decorated by the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday morning when, for the first time, relatives were admitted to the ceremony of investiture. Fifty relatives watched 37 men and one woman receive decorations. The men included two officers receiving awards in connection with the R.A.F. raid on Sylt, says British Wireless.

### FATHER JACQUINOT SAYS NO EVACUATION OF ZONES

SHANGHAI, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—Father Jacquinot, the famous originator of the Nantao Refugee Zone, has given a negative reply to the request by property owners that the zones be evacuated, states the Sinwampao.

The property, in which the zone lies, Father Jacquinot is reported to have stated, is safeguarded by the creation of the zone through mutual agreement by the Chinese and Japanese authorities.

In view of this fact, property owners should show due sympathy to the refugees now occupying the area, Father Jacquinot stated.



OFFICIALS AND COMPETITORS AT THE HISLEY MEETING OF THE H.K. RIFLE ASSOCIATION—His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, is seated in the centre with Major R. D. Walker, President of the Association on his left, and Lieut. A. J. Le Seclleur, R.E., winner of the Governor's Prize, on H.E.'s right. Next to Lieut. Le Seclleur is the Hon. Mr. T. H. King while third from the extreme right is H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett.

### More Money For China

SHANGHAI, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—Mr. Nelson Johnson, the American Ambassador, sent \$500 to Mayor Wu Kuechen of Chungking yesterday as a contribution to the fund for the construction of air raid dug-outs for the civilian population, says the Sinwampao. The report adds that Mayor sent an immediate reply, thanking the American Ambassador on behalf of the Chinese people.

### LIPS CURL AT MENTION OF HITLER

#### CHINESE SEAMEN FROM GERMANY

Two hundred Chinese seamen repatriated from Germany came into Hongkong on an Italian ship yesterday on their way back to China.

That they have been badly treated by "The Beast of Berlin" was the obvious conclusion to be drawn from the curl of their lips and a shrugging of shoulders at the very mention of the name Hitler.

They have every reason for feeling red because each and every one of these sailors could send Hitler a debit note for anything between 300 to 700 German marks claiming wages in arrears—without the ghost of a chance for collection.

According to Ah Kow one of the men, there are a great number of people in Germany who hate Hitler and his regime, but fear of him and his inquisitorial Gestapo over-rides their antipathy.

They can do nothing but hope for a better tomorrow, do nothing but pray for his ultimate defeat.

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#### FUEHRER'S NIGHTMARE



It's that damned Churchill again, can't get him off my mind. (Le Petit Parisien, Paris).

### Ventured Near Allied Convoy: U-Boat Sunk

LONDON, APR. 2. (REUTER)—THE SINKING OF A GERMAN SUBMARINE, WHICH VENTURED NEAR AN ALLIED CONVOY IN THE ATLANTIC, WAS MADE KNOWN TODAY.

The submarine had torpedoed a neutral ship which was in the convoy and an escorting destroyer raced to the scene.

After two British and one French destroyers appeared, the submarine

was sighted on the surface and a flyingboat, which assisted in the search, dropped a bomb near the U-boat.

Depth charges laid by the destroyers forced the submarine to the surface and it surrendered. Later the submarine was sunk.

Every member of the U-boat crew was saved except the captain, who had either chosen to go down with his ship, or had been late in making his escape.

#### 28TH SHIP SCUTTLED

The German vessel Mimihorn (4,000 tons) was intercepted by British warships in Northern waters last week. Like 27 other German vessels she was scuttled and set on fire by her crew all of whom were saved.

German losses from capture, scuttling and sinking total 303,964 tons.

There are growing evidence that U-boats are being sunk at such a rate that Germany are unable to replace them sufficiently quickly.

Small losses of ships in convoy is clear proof that what few U-boats still hovering around shipping lanes do not like the experience of making attempts to attack ships in convoy.

It is stated by the Naval authorities that prisoners taken from U-boats are exceptionally young, the average age of their seamen being around 20 to 21.

#### QUIET NIGHT

PARIS, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—Today's War Communique states that it was a quiet night on the whole front. There was firing from casemates on both sides along the Rhine and in Upper Alsace.

### Foreign Military Expert Pays High Tribute To The Chinese Soldiers: Saw Recapture Of Strategic Pass

CHUNGKING, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—A high tribute to the Chinese soldiers was paid today by a foreign military expert who witnessed the recapture by the Chinese of Kunlunkwan, a strategic pass north-east of Nanning, several months ago.

As Kunlunkwan is generally considered the gateway to Nanning, the Japanese had stationed a strong force to defend the pass which is famous in Chinese history for being almost impregnable.

Chinese troops, the expert stated, vigorously assaulted the pass, in their attempt to recapture Nanning. Despite heavy losses, he declared, they finally took their objective. The Chinese are said to have lost nine tanks which were being towed to the rear for repairs.

#### FOUGHT BRILLIANTLY

He paid a tribute to the fighting quality of the Chinese soldiers, being particularly impressed by several small units which were said to have fought brilliantly.

He was of the opinion that the Chinese military authorities should not only promote the commanders, or give cash rewards to the soldiers, but should also distribute decorations for bravery, thereby giving encouragement to the lower ranks.

#### JAPANESE DRIVE

Commenting on the Japanese drive on Pingyang, the foreign military expert stated it was in the nature of a raid. The Japanese, he explained, sent on a brigade for a wide encircling movement, in an effort to save Kunlunkwan where they were hard pressed.

The move, however, was a little late, for, before the drive got underway, the Chinese had already captured the pass. The Japanese, nevertheless, continued to push towards Pingyang, since a column of the raiding party of the Japanese had made no attempt to maintain communications with the rear, thereby exposing themselves to a trap by the Chinese.

Owing to lack of proper co-ordination among Chinese units, the foreign expert concluded, a large portion of the Japanese brigade succeeded in returning to Nanning.

### REVIEW OF WAR WORK BY CHIANG KAI-SHEK

#### "Final Blow To Enemy" For Chinese Victory

CHUNGKING, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—A denunciation of Wang Ching-wei and a review of military, foreign and domestic affairs during the past six months were features of the thirty-minute speech made by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek at the ceremony of the opening of the Fifth Session of the National People's Political Council this morning.

Any regime set up by Wang Ching-wei "in whatever form and under whatever name cannot be anything else other than an instrument of the Japanese Army" declared the Generalissimo.

He added: "Such a regime cannot effect China's resistance nor will it be recognised by the world." A formal statement by the National People's Political Council, denouncing Wang Ching-wei will be issued today. The statement will be discussed and approved at the first business session of the Council.

Generalissimo Chiang emphasized that the Chinese military strength both in quality and quantity had steadily improved while the Japanese strength was declining. He urged the country to make greater efforts in the third period of China's resistance, and "to deliver the final blow to the enemy and achieve a final Chinese victory."

Generalissimo said that despite the European War assistance to China on the part of friendly powers not only had not declined but had steadily increased. He pointed out that the Soviet-Finnish war, for a time, threatened Continued on Page 7

### War Games In The Pacific

#### U.S. FLEET OFF PHILIPPINES

SHANGHAI, Apr. 2. (Int'l)—Owing to the extension of the American naval manoeuvres as far as the Philippines, U. S. S. Augusta, flagship of the American Asiatic Fleet, will remain in Manila this week instead of proceeding to Shanghai, although her original schedule is to reach here on April 6.

The flagship is likely to participate in the exercises together with the entire fleet of one light cruiser, fifteen destroyers, ten submarines and fifteen long range bombers.

#### TANKER SINKS U-BOAT

Special to H.K. Daily Press

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, Apr. 2. (Havas)—The British tanker Elciervo sent a wireless message yesterday that she was being pursued by a German U-boat 900 miles east of the Virgin Islands.

The submarine rose to the surface 40 yards from the tanker and sixteen shots were fired against the submarine which is claimed to have been sunk.

### Singapore Rubber Duty Increased

SINGAPORE, Apr. 2. (Reuter)—The Straits Legislative Council passed a Bill increasing taxation in order to provide £500,000 towards the British War funds.

The Bill is similar to that passed by the Federated Malay States yesterday.

Although there will be no increase in the export duty on tin, rubber duty will be increased by 2½ per cent.



## BASKETBALL THRILLS AT UNIVERSITY

### Eliot Defeat May Hall In Tournery Key Match

THRILLED SPECTATORS WITNESSED LAST EVENING THE KEY MATCH OF THE HONGKONG UNIVERSITY INTER-HOSTEL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT FOR 1940, when Eliot Hall defeated May Hall by 40-21, after a magnificently fought game at the University Gymnasium.

Strong favourites for the title both Halls started the first half nervously. For six minutes there was no scoring, until May's right wing, O. C. Lew, drew first blood on a successful foul shot.

The two reputedly best basketball teams then started scoring fast, May Hall shot two consecutive baskets, and Eliot soon countered with the same. In the fast interchange that followed, May's left wing, K. Y. Mui, landed a beautiful long shot.

With Eliot leading by a slight margin, May Hall was soon left trailing with a score of 18 to 13, at the end of the first half, when Eliot forwards broke through their defence to garner two goals.

#### DIFFICULT SHOT

In the second half, May Hall tried to keep their opponents' score down, but Eliot's Hui and Lum snatched two more baskets. M. C. Mok, May's left guard, successfully executed a difficult long shot. The game developed rough and Eliot lost one of their top players, through disqualification by four fouls. Eliot's P. H. Lum expertly dribbled through the opposition for a neat shot, and a little later caught the ball from a team-mate and scored again.

With four minutes to go the score stood 34-17. May's K. Y. Mui made a glorious goal followed by a basket from each side. May Hall desperately tried some long shots, but at the final whistle the count stood at 40-21.

#### BETTER PASSING

In the other game of the evening, Ricci Hall's better passing and teamwork prevailed over that of St. John's Hall, the final score being 40-28. However, Ricci would have had a bigger lead had their shooting been better.

At the end of the first half Ricci led by 23-11, with their right wing, M. W. Luk, getting most of the points. St. John's centre, Yeu Kung-pin, made a good angle shot.

The second half started with an exhibition of some accurate side shooting by H. S. Ho, of Ricci, from difficult angles. Ricci then called "time out" for a rest, while St. John's made a substitution. Towards the end, there was a frenzied rush for last-minute points.

The line-ups and personal scores of teams participating in yesterday's basketball matches are:—

Eliot Hall:—R.W.: H. C. Goh 4; L.W.: Lee Chee Khoo 8; C.: P. H. Lum 10; R.G.: K. L. Hui 12 (Capt.); L.G.: M. T. Lim 4; Res. C.: K. L. Lim 0. Total: 40.

May Hall:—R.W.: O. C. Lew 3; L.W.: K. Y. Mui 6; C.: Y. W. Yung 6 (Capt.); R.G.: C. C. Chen 2; L.G.: W. C. Mok 4. Total: 21.

Ricci Hall:—R.W.: M. W. Luk 10; L.W.: M. S. Ku 0; C.: George Kerpusheff 6; R.G.: J. B. Lim 1; L.G.: Leslie Sung 13 (Capt.); Res. L.W.: H. S. Ho 10. Total: 40.

St. John's Hall:—R.W.: Rayson Huang 0; L.W.: Chin Hon Nee 13; C.: Yeu Kung-pin 4; R.G.: Chia Kee Sim 7; L.G.: Kwan Hin Ning 2 (Capt.); Res. R.G.: Hang Fu Shan 0. Total: 28.

## Football Fixtures

Five First Division matches are down for decision over the weekend the full programme of which is as follows:—

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 1940

#### First Division

Royal Scots v Eastern (Club at 4.45 p.m.). Referee:—Glover.

Linesmen:—Jent & L. King-tong. Naval v Middlesex (Causeway Bay at 4.45 p.m.). Referee:—Ip.

Linesmen:—Barretto & Copley. S. China "B" v Kowloon (Caroline Hill at 4.45 p.m.). Referee:—Stokes.

Linesmen:—Dove & Phillips. St. Joseph's v Kwong Wah (Boundary Street at 4.45 p.m.). Referee:—Kossick.

Linesmen:—Demee & Smith. (Second Division) Play off Engineers v South China (Club at 3.15 p.m.). Referee:—Hinchliffe.

#### Third Division

Electric v Royal Scots (St. Joseph's at 3.15 p.m.). Referee:—Edwards.

R.A.S.C. v International (Caroline Hill at 3.15 p.m.). Referee:—Baker.

12th R.A. v South China (Stanley at 3.30 p.m.). Referee:—Banham.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 1940

#### First Division

S. China "A" v Police (Caroline Hill at 4.45 p.m.). Referee:—Ford.

Linesmen:—Fraser & Sze Po-wai. Eastern v Club (Club at 4.45 p.m.). Referee:—Omar.

Linesmen:—Thorby & A. W. Smith.

#### "Y" HOCKEY FIXTURES

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in hockey matches this week:

THURSDAY:—1st XI v University ("Y" ground, 5.15). Benwell, Jordan and Yourleff, Smits, McLellan and Waldron; Highlands, Gemmell, Pennington, College and Walls.

SAURDAY:—1st XI v Khalsa Assn. ("Y" ground, 4.15). Benwell, Jordan and Yourleff, Kempton, Pennington and Waldron; Bates, Gemmell, White, College and Walls.

2nd XI v R.A.S.C. (U.S.R.C. ground, 4.15). Millington; Killen and Grant; Smits, Highlands and Baldwin; Banks, Dormer, Taylor, Gilchrist and Ireson.

## ORIGIN AND GROWTH OF FOOTBALL

### Interesting Talk By The Rev. S. Hinchliffe

An interesting talk on the origin and growth of football was given by the Rev. S. Hinchliffe, B.A., S.C.F., at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association held at the Hotel Cecil yesterday evening.

The period covered began before the 18th century when football was viewed with disfavour as there were no rules governing the game, and there was no object in the sport. The game was condemned by both the State and the Church and players were often imprisoned for their indulgence.

In the 18th century the game was systematised. It grew more popular by the adaptation by public schools in England, but it was surprising to note that the standard of football in these schools was remarkably low at the present time compared with rugby.

#### F.A. STARTED

In 1869, the Football Association came into being and rules were made to standardise the game, but the sport was unlike its present form. In 1892 there were attempts to mark the field which bore some resemblance of the game of today. It was not until 1902 that the football field was marked as at present. The game became so popular that in 1893 the English League was introduced and professional football found a footing in England.

The speaker said that the Church was the pioneer in organising the game in England and quoted the names of many famous teams founded by various Church organisations.

The oldest team in England was Notts County, which was formed in 1862, while Preston N.E. had a most glorious history on the field. In six years the team won 294 matches and lost only 35, and, particularly in the season 1888-89, when the team carried off both the League Championship and the English Cup.

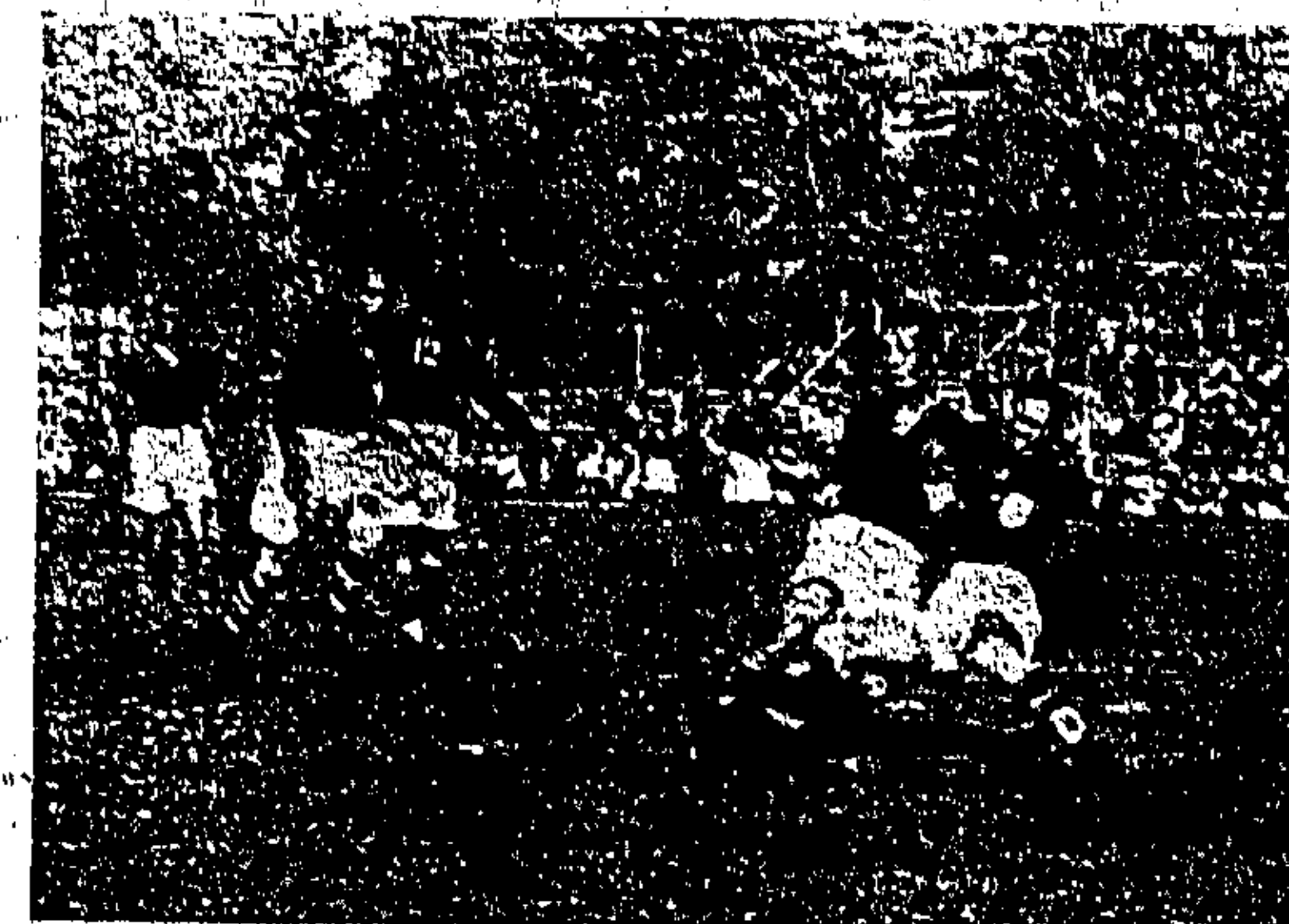
#### WHIST DRIVE SUCCESS

A general meeting took place following the address, and it was announced that the whist drive and the dance held recently were a big success.

It was decided that a monthly levy of 50 cents be made on all referees towards the Club building fund, as from May 1.

Mr. D. M. Mitchell, who was in the Chair, welcomed Mr. Nuttall as a guest and said that he hoped that Mr. Nuttall would become a member in the near future. Mr. Nuttall, he said, was a keen member of the Devon County Referees' Association.

It was announced that the next whist drive will be held on Friday, while the monthly dance will take place on April 28.



Action picture taken during the Senior Shield final on Sunday when Eastern defeated South China "A" by the odd goal in five. Above may be seen Lee "Tin-sang" of South China "A", and Ng Ki-cheung, the Eastern forward.

## GRAND NATIONAL BETTING ODDS

LONDON, Apr. 1 (Reuter).—The following are the latest odds on the Grand National:

6/1 Kustar o. (13/2 taken). 19/2 The Professor o. (10/1 t.). 100/9 MacMoffat o. (100/8 t.). 100/9 Royal Danieli o. 14/1 Symaethis t. and o. 100/7 Milano t. and o. 100/6 Starling Duke t. and o. 100/6 Rockquilla o. (18/1 t.). 25/1 Blackhawk t. and o. 33/1 Inverclyde t. and o.

## SCOTTISH CUP REPLAY

LONDON, Apr. 2 (Reuter).—In a Third Round re-play of the Scottish Cup Aberdeen beat Hearts by four goals to three.

In the Scottish League (Eastern Section) Raith beat Aberdeen by four goals to one.

## LINCOLNSHIRE CALL-OVER

LONDON, Apr. 1 (Reuter).—The following is the latest call-over for the Lincolnshire:

5/1 Titan (t. and o.). 5/1 Quartier Maitre (t. and o.). 10/1 Womersley (t. and o.). 100/7 Timestep (t. and o.). 100/7 Aldine o. (15/1 t.). 100/7 Booms-a-Daisy o. (15/1 t.). 100/7 Golden Sovereign o. 100/6 Rosetown o. 100/6 Unclearable o. (20/1 t.). 13/1 Ticcagari o. (20/1 t.). 33/1 Squadron Castle (t. and o.).

## CHESS TITLE

In a Colony Chess Championship Tournament match played at the Gloucester Restaurant last night, H. Zimmer defeated V. V. Kolachoff after 65 moves. In another match, played at the Peninsula Hotel, K. M. A. Barnett beat A. Y. Birkhoff.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

### THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the April Meeting, Sunday, 14th April, 1940, (weather permitting) may be obtained at:—

The Secretaries' Office, 3rd Floor Prince's Bldg., Des Voeux Road C.

The Hong Kong Club, The Sports Club, The Club House, Macau.

Entries close at 12 NOON on THURSDAY, 4th April, 1940.

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### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 6th April, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Telephone 21920).

#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary

Hong Kong, 1st April, 1940.

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## Sporting Fixtures

#### TODAY

BADMINTON.—Men's Doubles. Semi-finals, K. L. Yong and H. F. Chew v. M. A. Silva and M. A. Oliveira (K.C.C., 8.30 p.m.). League, B. Division. King's College v. V.R.C.; St. Andrew's v. Recreio.

FOOTBALL.—First Division: Middlesex v. Eastern (Club), 5 p.m.

RUNNING.—Annual Kowloon Marathon Race (Start outside St. Andrew's Church, Nathan Road) 5 p.m.

SHOOTING.—Hongkong Rifle Association's Weekly Spoon and Practice Shoot, at Kowloon City, 1.45 p.m.

TENNIS.—Colony's Championships:—Open Doubles.—1st: Wal-pui and Tsui Yan-pui (holders) v. A. R. Kitchell and I. M. A. Razack (Stand Court); Handicap Singles.—S. M. Garrard, -15.3 v. A. Lade, -4.6 (1); A. K. Mackenzie, -2.8 v. E. Zulaut, -1.5 (6); C. B. Nicholson, -3.6 v. R. C. Beavan, -2.6 (7); Handicap Doubles.—B. O'M. Deane and N. Spence, -4.6 v. A. C. I. Bowker and A. H. Penn, -1.6 (2); T. C. Monaghan and D. M. MacDougall, -1.5 v. C. H. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson, -3.0 (3); T. A. Pearce and F. D. Hunter, -3.6 v. C. D. N. Walker and E. L. Taverner, Scr. (4).

#### TOMORROW

BADMINTON.—Men's Senior Singles. Semi-finals, C. Au v. H. Eardley (Recreio, 8.30 p.m.); P. H. Wong v. K. L. Yong (Recreio, 9 p.m.).

TENNIS.—Colony's Championships:—Open Doubles.—Fang Oi-lam and Leung Ping-chiu v. S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn (Stand Court); T. A. Pearce and B. C. Fay or T. C. Chan and Marsland Ma v. F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang (8); Club Championship.—M. Pagh v. G. W. Sewell (3); J. J. Ferguson v. R. C. Beavan (6); S. M. Garrard v. J. S. Theobald (7); Handicap Singles.—A. H. Barwell, -1.6 or J. C. Poole, +1.6 v. E. S. Hall, -1.6 (1); Handicap Mixed Doubles.—B. O'M. Deane and Miss Eardley or V. R. Gordon and Mrs. Ralph v. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark, Scr. (2); Mr. and Mrs. C. H. R. Hyde, -3.0 v. J. R. M. and Mrs. D. E. B. Smith, Scr. (4).

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#### FRIDAY, APRIL 5

TENNIS.—Colony's Championships:—Open Doubles.—E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung v. C. H. R. Hyde and J. J. Ferguson (Stand Court); Wong Fuk-nam and Lam Kwan or T. C. Monaghan and T. J. Gould v. J. G. Galsies and A. V. Remedios (8); Handicap Doubles.—A. Lade and G. W. Sewell or W. G. Harvey and A. H. Barwell v. T. A. Pearce and F. D. Hunter or C. D. N. Walker and E. L. Taverner (2); V. R. Gordon and H. L. Taverner (2); V. R. Gordon and H. J. Armstrong, -1.5 v. R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Eldry, -3.8 (3); Handicap Singles.—G. C. Burnett, -1.5 v. A. K. Mackenzie, +2.8 or E. Zulaut, -1.5 (7); Handicap Mixed Doubles.—D. G. G. Allen and Miss J. Purkis or C. B. and Mrs. Nicholson v. J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill, -1.5 (4).

ATHLETICS.—Annual athletic meeting of the Central British School, on the School ground, 2 p.m.

FOOTBALL.—St. Joseph's v. Kwong Wah (Caroline Hill), 4.45 p.m.; Eastern v. Kowloon (Club), 4.45 p.m.; Royal Scots v. Club (Sookunpoo), 4.45 p.m.; Navy v. Middlesex (Causeway Bay), 4.45 p.m.

RACING.—Hongkong Jockey Club's Third Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

#### NO TENNIS

Owing to wet weather, play in the Colony tennis championships did not take place yesterday.



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## COMING EVENTS

**APRIL**  
 3—Tides: High 7.55 a.m. and 6.55 p.m.; Low 12.44 a.m. and 12.22 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.15 a.m.; Sunset: 6.39 p.m.  
 Green Island Cement Co. Annual Mtg., 11.30 a.m.  
 H.K.A.D.C. to present "Tony Draws a Horse" at China Fleet Club.  
 U.S.R.C. Dance, 10 p.m.  
 Y.M.C.A. Badminton from 10 a.m.  
 Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
 Colony Tennis Championships.  
 Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.  
 Kowloon Marathon Race, 5 p.m.  
 Kowloon Union Church, Women's Guild, 10 a.m.  
 Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall, 10 a.m.  
 Garrison Serge's Mess, Whist Drive, 9.15 p.m.  
 St. Andrew's Working Party (Medical), 10 a.m.  
 4—Tides: High 8.20 a.m. and 7.45 p.m.; Low 1.29 a.m. and 1.15 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.14 a.m.; Sunset: 6.41 p.m.  
 H.K. Fire Insurance Co. Ltd. Annual Mtg., 12 noon.  
 H.K.A.D.C. to present "Tony Draws a Horse" at China Fleet Club.  
 Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Night, Dinner 7.30 p.m.; Games Morning 10 a.m.  
 Vagabond Rotarians, Cafe de China, 1 p.m.  
 Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
 Colony Tennis Championships.  
 Cheero Club Games Night; Contract Bridge or Mahjong.  
 St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 2.30 p.m.  
 H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Mtg., 1.30 p.m.  
 Ladies' Bible Study, Nathan Road, 10.30 a.m.  
 Chess Championship Continued.  
 Entries close for Macao Races, 12 noon.  
 5—Tides: High 8.40 a.m. and 8.30 p.m.; Low 1.51 a.m. and 1.30 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.13 a.m.; Sunset: 6.42 p.m.  
 H.K.S.P.O. Charity Ball, Peninsula Hotel, 9.30 p.m.  
 H.K. Football Referees' Assn. Whist Drive, Hotel Cecil, 8 p.m.  
 H.K.A.D.C. to present "Tony Draws a Horse" at China Fleet Club.  
 Y.M.C.A. Badminton from 8 p.m.  
 Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
 Colony Tennis Championships.  
 Cheero Club Darts, Table-Tennis, Billiards.  
 Kusunon Rifles' Retreat, Whitefield Barracks.  
 St. Andrew's Church Hall: Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, Jumble Sale, 3 p.m.  
 Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, Annual Meeting, 6 p.m.  
 6—Tides: High 9 a.m. and 8.09 p.m.; Low 2.25 a.m. and 2.40 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.43 p.m.  
 R.R.O.C.A. Super Dance, Peninsula Hotel.  
 Bazaar at French Hospital.  
 H.K.A.D.C. to present "Tony Draws a Horse" at China Fleet Club.  
 H.K. Jockey Club's Third Extra Race Mtg., 2.30 p.m.  
 Central British School Annual Sports, 2 p.m.  
 7—Tides: High 9.20 a.m. and 8.44 p.m.; Low 2.55 a.m. and 3.20 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.44 p.m.  
 H.K. Golf Club: Second Round of Adamson Cup and Final of Mixed Persons due to be completed.  
 Bazaar at French Hospital.  
 Wedding: Gosano-Yvanovich, St. Teresa's Church, 4 p.m.  
 International Softball Series, 2 p.m.  
 8—Tides: High 9.39 a.m. and 10.16 p.m.; Low 3.28 a.m. and 4 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.45 p.m.  
 St. John's Ambulance Inspection by H.E. the Governor Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.  
 St. Patrick's Hall, Garden Road: Lecture by Rev. W. P. MacDonagh: "The Inquisition," 5.30 p.m.  
 H.K.R.A. Council Meeting, 5.30 p.m.  
 9—Tides: High 9.55 a.m. and 10.50 p.m.; Low 3.55 a.m. and 4.35 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.09 a.m.; Sunset: 6.46 p.m.  
 Union Church: Wedding—Fender-Dempsey.  
 Toc H. Kowloon Circle, Social and Dance, St. Andrew's Church Hall, 8.30 p.m.  
 C.B.S. Physical Training Display, 6.15 p.m.  
 H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg., 1 p.m.  
 10—Tides: High 10.15 a.m. and 11.20 p.m.; Low 4.20 a.m. and 5.15 p.m.  
 Sunrise: 6.08 a.m.; Sunset: 6.47 p.m.  
 Claims against estate of William Wolf due.  
 Quarry Bay School, Spring Festival, 11 a.m.  
 11—Black-Out Exercises.  
 Claims against Aachen & Munich Fire Insurance Co. due.  
 St. Joseph's College Annual Sports, Caroline Hill, 1 p.m.



Romance plays an important role in Columbia's "Music in My Heart," which stars Tony Martin and Rita Hayworth at the King's Theatre. The gay new tune-fest, which features Edith Fellows and Andre Kostelanetz and his music, also includes in its cast such well-known players as Alan Mowbray, Eric Blore and George Tobias.

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### RELAY OF TALK BY MINISTER OF ECONOMIC WARFARE

Schumann Symphony

12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Verdi's "Rigoletto" Act II.

Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: The Duke of Mantua—Dino Borgioli (Tenor); Rigoletto—his Jester—Riccardo Stracciari (Baritone); Count Monterone—Dulio Baroni (Baritone); Gilda—daughter of Rigoletto—Mercedes Caspi (Soprano) and Chorus of La Scala, Milan with The Milan Symphony Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.05 Tangos and Waltzes.

Tangos—O. Cara Mia; Pacha Digo—A. J. Pesenti and His Orchestra.

Waltz—Love in Your Eyes—Eugene Pini and His Tango Orchestra.

Tango—Echse Du Passe; Waltz—Although—Jean Tappanier's Ballroom Orchestra.

Waltz—Medley—Intro: Giannina Mile; Don't forget the old folks at home; When I heard the Organ play—Billy Thorburn (Piano) with Drums and Violin Obligation.

1.20 Rawicz and Landauer on Two Pianos.

1.25 In Rhythm (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Chopin's (arr. Rawicz and Landauer); Waltz Memories from Vienna (arr. Rawicz and Landauer).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Songs by Turner Layton at the Piano.

1.50 Feel Like A Feather In The Breeze (film "The Charm School"); Alone (film "A Night at the Opera"); Heart of Gold (from "All About at Oxford Circus").

1.55 Bob Crosby and His Orchestra.

2.00 Fox-Trots—Song of the Wanderer; South Rampart Street Parade; Blues—Wolverine Blues; Swing—Skaters' Waltz in Swingtime; Fox-Trots—Royal Garden Blues; Squeeze Me.

2.15 Close down.

2.20 An hour of Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Angels with Dirty Faces; Between a Kiss and a Sigh; Tommy Dorsey and His Orchestra.

Tangos—Crepuscule; For Que?—Gerald and His Gaucho Tango Orchestra.

Slow Fox-Trots—Little Gypsy of the Seven Seas; To Mother with Love—The Organ, The Dance Band and the Swing Fox-Trots.

In Forever Blowing Bubbles; Adios Muchachos—Ella Logan with Perry Botkin and His Orchestra.

Waltz—I Shall Always Remember You Smiling; Slow Fox-Trot—Lonely—Billy Cotton and His Band.

The Palais Stroll; Quickstep—The Blackbird Hop—Jack Harris and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Taini What You Do;

The Spider and the Fly—"Fats" Waller and His Rhythm; Waltz—Dreaming—Mantovani's Orchestra for Dancing; Fox-Trots—Heaven Can Wait; There's A Ranch in the Rockies—Jack Harris and His Orchestra.

Novelty Waltz—Boomp-A-Daisy; Quickstep—Summer Sweetheart—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Good Old Songs of the Good Old Days.

Won't You Come Home, Bill!—Ballet; The Ship I Love; Git yer 'air Cut; Champagne Charlie; After the Ball; Break the News to Mother; To-morrow-de-ay; In the Good Old Summer-time; My Gal is a High-Born Lady; Little Alabama Coon; I can't tell why I love you; Goodbye, Dolly Gray—The Big Four (Vocal Quartet) with Piano.

The One-Horse Shay (Trad.)—The Gay Nineties Singers with Orchestra.

Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland; Hitchy Koo; You Made Me Love You; Every Little While; Never Mind; Good-bye—The Old Timers with Orchestra.

Minstrel Memories of Christy Minstrel Days (Scott Gatty)—Intro: Chick De Ringalid Coon; De Ole Banjo; Goodnight—The Minstrel Singers with Banjo Band.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Songs by Ina Souez (Soprano).

Always (from "Puritan Lullaby"—Dynamite and Smith); Love, I Give You My All (from "Lullaby"—Dynamite and Smith); Love, I Give You My All (from "Lullaby"—Dynamite and Smith).

8.15 London Relay—"I am a Jew."

A play produced by Howard Rose.

8.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 Talk on "The Empire at War" recorded by The Rt. Hon. Malcolm MacDonald.

9.45 Variety with George Formby, Elsie and Doris Waters and Others.

Vocal: The Lancashire Toreador (Formby and O'Brien); The Window Cleaner (Further Adventures of the Window Cleaner)—George Formby and His Ukulele with Orchestra.

Humorous—Scenes from "Our Beters" (Somerset Maugham); Getting A Wife; Getting A Motor—Constance Collier and Ronald Squire.

Comedienne Darts; With Gert and Daisy (G. and D. Waters); At the Court of Good Queen Bess—Elsie & Doris Waters with Orchestra.

Vocal—Said the Little Brown Hen (Formby and Others); Trailing Around in A Trailer (Gifford and Cliff)—George Formby and Ronald Squire.

Chorus and Soloists with Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Whirl! Buy My Bubbly! (The Pretzel Vendor Song)—Emery Deutsch and His Orchestra.

10.15 A Chopin Recital by Arthur Rubinstein.

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### SHORT WAVE

#### DAVENTRY

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G.S.H. .... 11.47a. (11.57a.)

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#### NEWS IN ENGLISH

Transmission I—News Summary 4.00 p.m.

Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.

Trans II & III—News Summary 6.48 p.m.

Full Bulletin 7.30 p.m.

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Transmission V—News Summary 7.30 a.m.

Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

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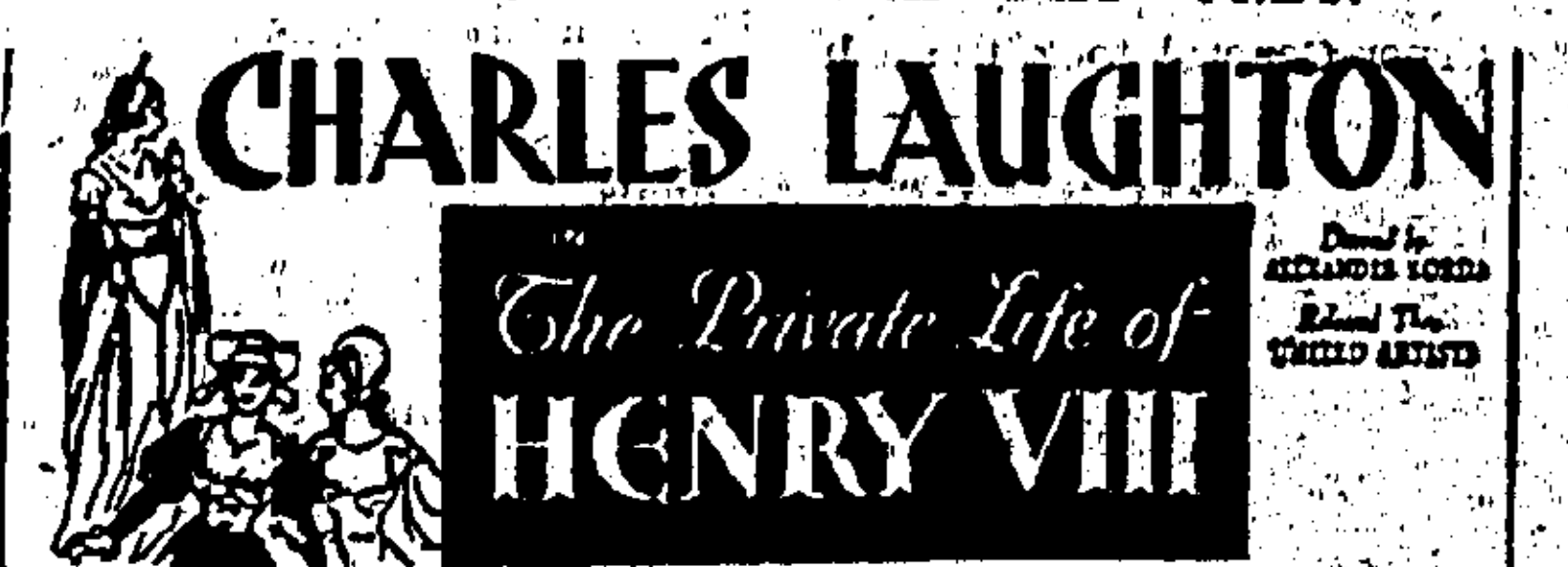
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### "HAWAIIAN NIGHTS"

Announced as a glamorous picture of the tropics, with melody, laughter, romance and native dancers in new swing-hits routines, Universal's latest musical film, "Hawaiian Nights," comes to the Majestic Theatre today.

Featured in the cast are nimble-footed Johnny Downs, Constance Moore, Mary Carlisle, Eddie Quillan, Samuel S. Hinds, Etienne Girardot and Princess Liliuokalani.

Two noted musical groups, Matty Malneck and his Orchestra and the Hawaiian string band of Sol Hoopi provide lifting harmony for the gay romantic drama.

Already well known for their recordings and radio work, the orchestras will introduce four new song hits especially written for the picture.

### MUSIC IN MY HEART

A handsome young tenor, temporarily a man without a country, and a lovely young woman, temporarily a bride-to-be without a groom, meet by chance to initiate one of the most sparkling romantic musical comedies of the motion picture season. It's "Music in My Heart," with Tony Martin, radio's singing favorite, and Rita Hayworth in stellar roles.

The carefree new comedy, which opens today at the King's Theatre, has been hailed wherever it is shown. A happy wedding of romance, laughter and music, the film's cast also includes such well-knowns as Edith Fellows, Andre Kostelanetz and his famous orchestra, Alan Mowbray, Eric Blore and George Tobias.



## NO PASSAGE FOR ALLIES VIA SWEDEN TO FINLAND

STOCKHOLM, April 2 (Reuter)—Great Britain had not only offered effective aid to Finland but had also been prepared to give Sweden and Norway military help if they were menaced by Germany for allowing Allied troops to pass through their territories on their way to Finland.

## Norway Gives Explanation

OSLO, Apr. 1 (Reuter)—The Foreign Minister, Mr. Koht, today gave Reuter a detailed exposition on Norway's attitude on neutrality.

Referring to Mr. Churchill's speech, Mr. Koht said: "I was very glad to see that Mr. Churchill did not say anything that might be regarded as a menace to our neutrality or as an admission to Norway to give up her neutrality."

### EVERY PRESENT DANGER

Concerning the danger of Norway being involved in the blockade warfare, Mr. Koht said: "There will always be a danger to peace in Norway while the war is proceeding between her nearest overseas neighbours, but there is no necessity that for this reason Norway should be involved."

"Indeed, I believe it will be to the advantage of all parties that she should keep out."

He said it seemed to be the opinion in Britain that Norway was not protesting with the same vigour against the German violations of Norway's neutrality as against the British violations.

### DAMAGE RESENTED

"We are protesting in appropriate way," he said, "against the very different kinds of violation to which we are exposed."

The damage done to Norway by Germany, as regards loss of men and material has been very deeply resented.

"We are doing all that is possible to get them stopped."

### NO FORCE USED

"What Britain has done against our neutrality is of a different character and in many cases does not touch our material interests so much as our honour and independence. But the small nations too have points of honour which they will have to defend."

Mr. Koht further declared that Norway had not been forced to supply raw materials to any countries.

Regarding Norwegian exports to Germany, Mr. Koht said that the fundamental point of the Anglo-Norwegian trade treaty was that Norway should maintain her normal exports to all countries including Germany, but not supply Germany with any raw materials except those agreed to by the British Government.

## SYDNEY NAVAL ROUTE MARCH

SYDNEY, April 2 (Reuter)—Large crowds turned out yesterday to cheer the 1200 naval men who marched through the streets. The Governor-General took the salute.

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This was the statement made by M. Gunther, Swedish Premier, before the Upper Chamber of the Riksdag (Swedish Parliament) yesterday.

The matter, he said, arose through representations made by the British Minister at Stockholm on March 2, when the Minister said that the Allied Governments had come to the conclusion that the only way to prevent Finland from falling victim to aggression would be to extend help in the form of an Allied force, and that they were prepared to send such a force.

The British Government was aware that since this force must necessarily pass through Norway and Sweden, these two countries might be exposed to reaction on the part of Germany.

The Allies were prepared to give Norway and Sweden extensive military help and preparations for this were already far advanced.

M. Gunther continued that the French Minister had supported this statement but that the Swedish Government were not able to grant the necessary permission.

## Holland Holds Her Breath

### AWAITING BRITAIN'S PREMIER'S SPEECH

AMSTERDAM, April 2 (Reuter)—The whole of Holland is anxiously awaiting Mr. Chamberlain's speech in the House of Commons tomorrow.

Political observers give it as their opinion that the tightening of the Allied blockade, which Mr. Chamberlain is expected to announce, will further add to the burdens of the small nations.

Concern has been caused by reports from London that a stricter control will be exercised on exports to neutral countries bordering on Germany.

Meanwhile last night's Press publish further accounts of the recent attacks by German planes on Dutch fishing boats. Owing to these attacks some of the fishermen are remaining in port until they are assured they will not be exposed to such perils.

## SOVIET GARNERS POLISH ART TREASURES

PARIS, Apr. 1 (Reuter)—The Polish Government has issued a protest against the general confiscation by the Soviet authorities in Poland of objects of artistic or historic value belonging to the Polish state or to Polish individuals.

The protest has been transmitted to the Quai d'Orsay.

A Polish news agency states that the Polish Government reserves the right to demand at an opportune moment complete reparation for the damage inflicted.

### NEW HOME FOR FARMERS

HELSINGFORS, Apr. 1 (Reuter)—Th tens of thousands of farmers evacuated from the territory ceded to Russia will be settled on new land under a scheme which will be published tomorrow and which is expected to be put in operation as soon as the snow melts.

Land belonging to the state, Church and private owners will be divided into holdings with a maximum area of 15 hectares.

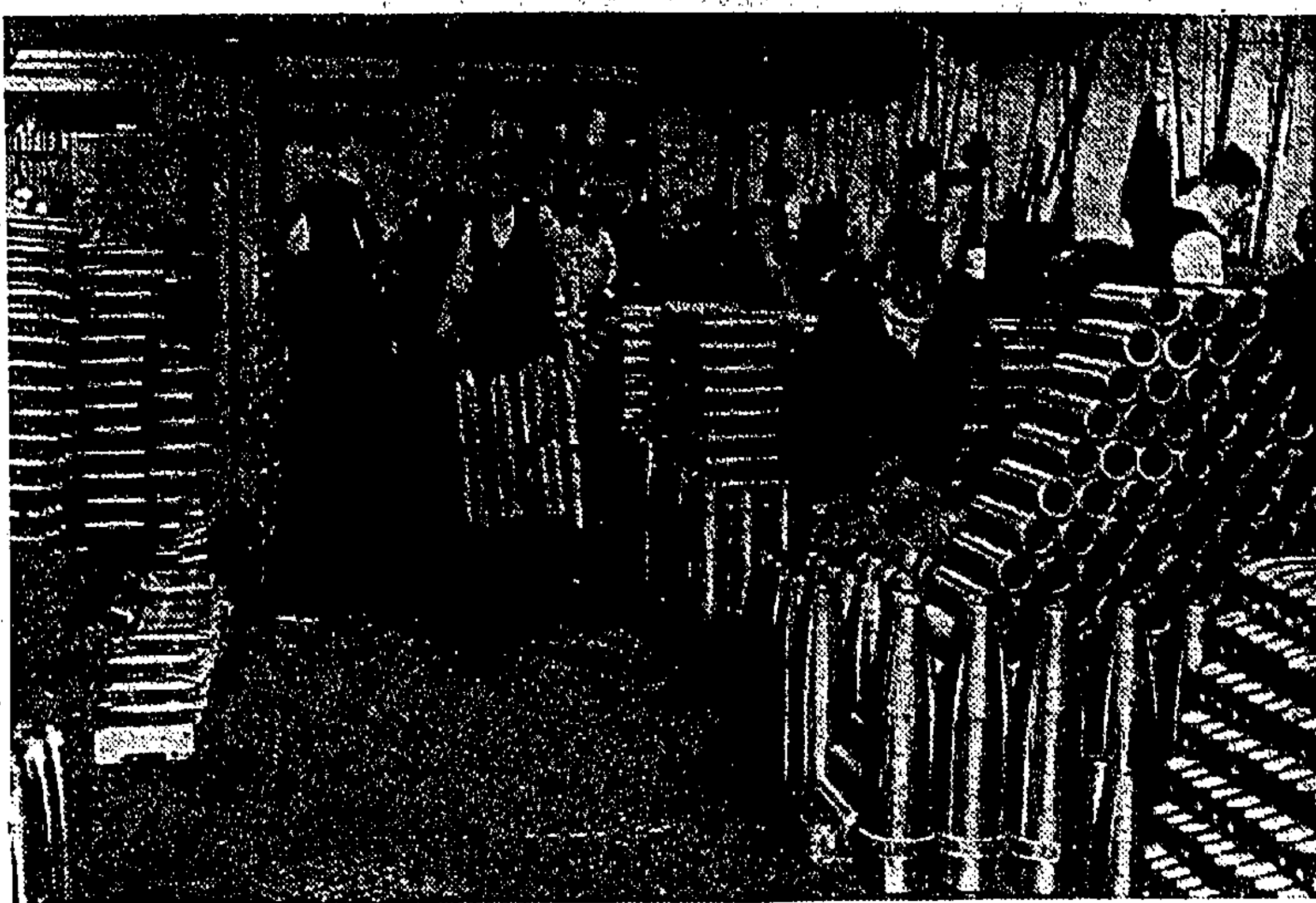
The settlers will be exempted from payment of debts and taxes for five years.

## INDIAN ON MURDER CHARGE

LONDON, April 2 (Reuter)—Udham Singh, who is charged with the murder of Sir Michael O'Dwyer, former Governor of the Punjab, was remanded until today for formal committal to Old Bailey.

A gun expert stated in evidence that the blackening around the bullet holes in Sir Michael's coat proved that the weapon was fired at close range—less than nine inches.

Sir Bernard Spilsbury described the wounds received by Sir Michael and said that one of the bullets passed through the heart. The cause of death was loss of blood due to the passage of a bullet through the chest and abdomen.



SHELLS AND MORE SHELLS.—A busy scene in a shell section of a Royal Ordnance Factory, somewhere in England.

## Broadcast By War Waifs

### CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

CHUNGKING, Apr. 2 (Central)—For the first time since they were rescued, Chinese war orphans in Madame Chiang Kai-shek's orphanages in and around Chungking, will be heard in a radio broadcast on April 4, Chinese Children's Day.

The programme, consisting of a number of popular Chinese songs, will be given by forty boys and girls over both XGOX (wave length 19.75 meters and 15.2 magacycles) at 8.45-9.15 a.m. and XCOY (wave length 25.2 meters or 11.9 magacycles) at 11.45 a.m.-12.15 p.m. The feature is sponsored by the Chinese International Broadcasting Station of Chungking.

### NATION-WIDE WORK

The programme will be introduced by the Columbia-trained Miss Chen Chi-yen, General Secretary of the Refugee Children's Work Committee of which Madame Chiang is the director. Miss Chen will tell her experiences with the war orphans.

Since Madame Chiang started the Save-the-Refugee-Children movement about two years ago, more than 25,000 destitute children have been saved and brought to the different camps where they are being properly nurtured and educated.

Today the movement has assumed nation-wide proportions. No less than fifty "homes" for war orphans have been established in the interior provinces.

## EUROPEAN BRITONS IN INDIA

NEW DELHI, April 2 (Reuter)—The Central Assembly has passed a Bill providing for national service for all European Britons in India. It will bring them more or less into line with Britons in the United Kingdom as far as service with His Majesty's forces during the war is concerned.

## SWEDISH ORE FOR NAZIS

LONDON, Apr. 1 (Reuter)—A statement from authoritative Norwegian sources says that the export of Swedish iron ore via Narvik to Germany since the outbreak of war is only a fraction of the peace-time traffic.

The statement continues that the closing of Narvik for the transport of iron ore will not necessarily entail an essential decrease of the total export of iron ore to Germany.

It is estimated that probably over nine-tenths of the total iron ore exports from Sweden to Germany could be shipped from Lulea and other Swedish ports.

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## WAR TO BE INTENSIFIED BY BRITAIN AND FRANCE

LONDON, April 2 (Reuter)—The meeting of the Supreme War Council on Friday and Mr. Winston Churchill's speech on Saturday are both regarded by the British press that the Allies have something up their sleeves.

Papers as divergent as the Daily Telegraph, Daily Mail, News Chronicle and Manchester Guardian see two indications that Great Britain is about to take action to tighten the blockade.

None of their views however, are officially confirmed, but each has its own pet theory of how this is to be achieved.

### IRON ORE TRAFFIC

Most of the papers agree that something further is to be done to put an end to the iron-ore traffic in German and Norwegian territorial waters, and attempts to reduce the supplies through Balkan countries are also forecast.

The Manchester Guardian says that diplomatic quarters in London consider that Mr. Churchill's speech has confirmed the impression that the Supreme War Council decided last week that the war should be conducted with greater intensity. There are suggestions in the British press that the Allies are about to enter on more active economic work in south-east Europe.

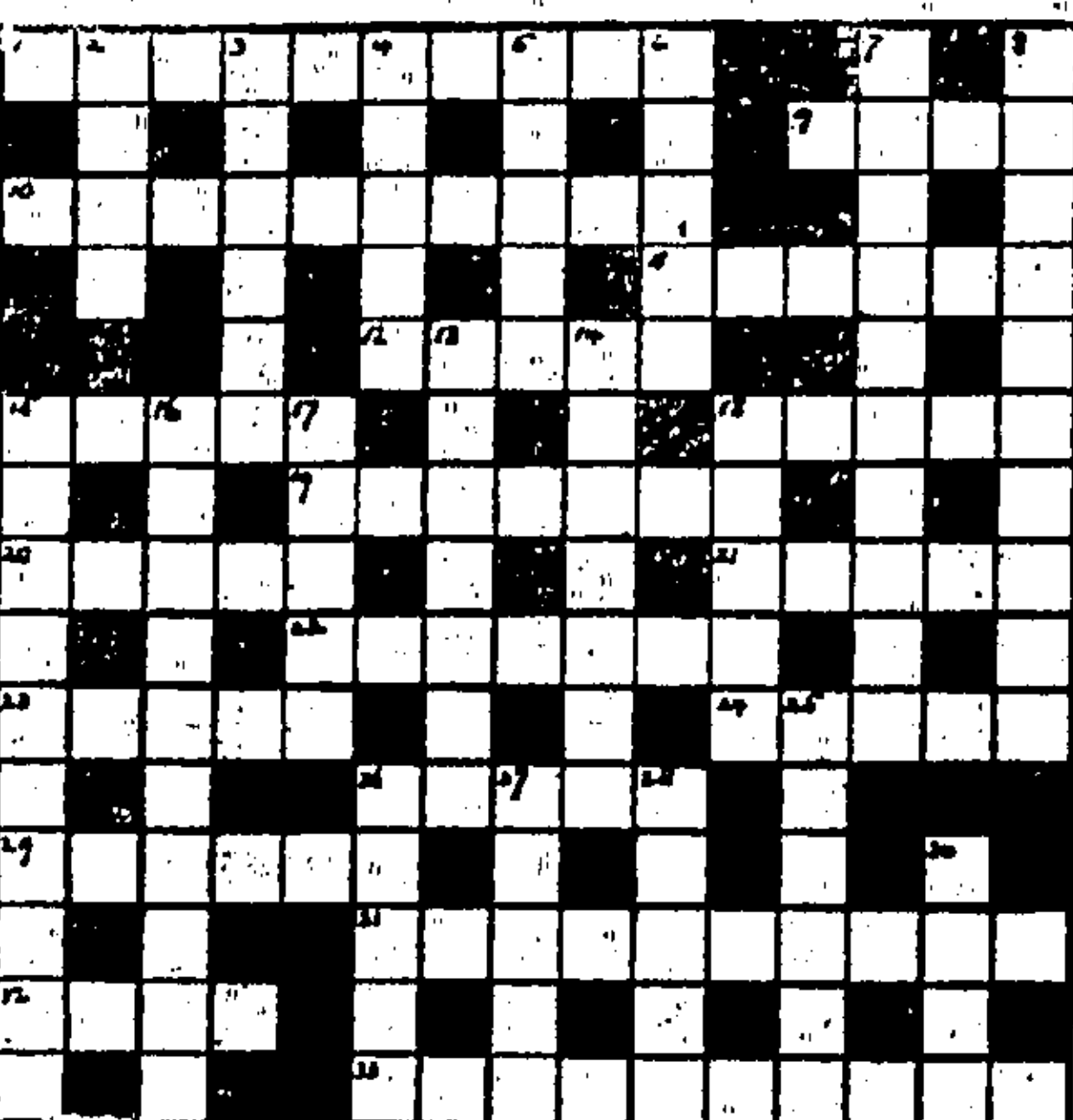
There are indications that the German reply might be intensified military action, possibly on land but probably in the air. If they do they will find the Allies well prepared.

### ARMY WELL PREPARED

The question of British preparedness is dealt with by The Times which says that despite the frost, snow, illnesses and the winter, the army today is fit. The absence of fighting in France has allowed the more experienced N.C.O.'s to be used for training than might otherwise have been possible.

The Daily Telegraph comments that if neutral countries are not equal to the task of safeguarding themselves against submission to the Reich, the Allies must ensure their territories, leaving no means for an evasion of the blockade.

## CROSSWORD NO. 573



### ACROSS

- Defamatory description of a school at play.
- Piece of country situated in the Cotswolds.
- Condition of Uriah Heep when 'unbled in town'.
- Fleahy.
- Trees must be rearranged to become neat.
- He makes the snake go outside to fetch tea.
- Behind a sailor going towards the stern.
- A colonist.
- Jeroboam's father.
- It usually provides a get-away for the golfer.
- IM ELATE (anag).
- It looks as if the animal's track is faint in the end.
- One of David Copperfield's wives.
- Not a pleasant expression for a critic.
- "Some mute, inglorious—"
- You cannot hope to get your contract if you have this.
- The Muses' number.
- An insect is ordered to come down to reveal its offspring.

### DOWN

- It is up to a company to bring off such a stroke.
- Marriageable.
- Prevent.
- The reputation of a bishop on coming to an ancient city.
- Bodles in cellars have shown it as past (hidden).
- It is necessary for it to be found first and altogether firm.
- She puts a lock on the image.
- Military operation to be carried out by a number of disorganised before the rain.
- Cross result of showing anger after taking salt.
- The exile's fate.
- Mischiefous fairies.
- This flower might give one a look.
- Near neighbour of ancient Rome, in whose space many are enclosed.
- "Let the—jade wince."
- Soon upset before a number can produce it for the fishing line.
- One can never expect them to be at odds.
- He finishes off the trilling.
- An article we take to break a child of habit.

SOLUTION TOMORROW

## STYLISH "TERRY" BATH GOWNS — FOR MEN — EIGHTEEN-FIFTY UPWARD

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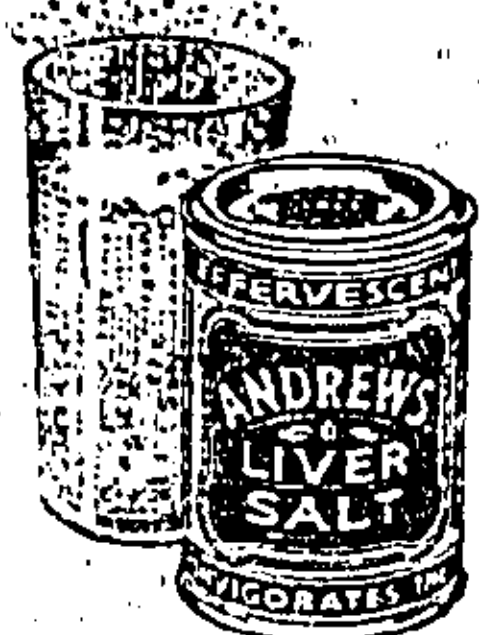
## LIGHT WEIGHT DRESSING GOWNS FOR MEN TWENTY SEVEN-FIFTY UPWARD

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## Godown Company Shows Another Good Year

### Profits Reported To Be Well Above Average

Presiding at the annual general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., yesterday, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts, revealed that the profit on working for 1939 was \$1,593,938.07 as compared with \$2,241,612.24 for the previous year, a decrease of \$647,674.17 or nearly 29 per cent.

Mr. Paterson went on to say, however, that 1939 was a record year and the earnings abnormal. He added that the figures for the year under review were well above normal as the average working profit over the ten years ended in 1937 was \$1,015,812.

Messrs. J. H. Jessen, T. B. Wilson and H. V. Wilkinson were re-elected to the Board of Directors while Mr. A. H. Penn was re-appointed to the Board, following his return from leave.

#### CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

Addressing the meeting the chairman said in part:—Rates and Taxes Account for 1939 was \$137,052.59, an increase over 1938 of \$58,410.32 or 74 per cent. Rates and Taxes are calculated by Government on the Receipts and Expenses method and this explains the large increase during 1939.

Earnings for 1939 were down by \$72,480.47 or 18.5 per cent and working expenses were down by \$124,807.30 or 6.5 per cent.

The cost of fuel and stores for launches, cranes, etc., has increased very considerably; the cost of repairs and general upkeep is also much higher at present than it has been for some years.

You are all aware that Government may shortly institute an additional tax on profits of Companies such as ours, and this will have to be met out of earnings. To make provision for this a larger amount than is customary has been carried forward in the Accounts.

Last year the Chairman referred to the shipping situation in America when no regular American vessels visited the port between October 21 and December 2, 1938. I am happy to say that during the past year the service of American vessels to Hongkong has been resumed and we can expect an increase in Trans-Pacific cargoes.

#### WAR EFFECT

The result of the declaration of war in September last was a considerable decrease in arrivals and cargo in November, due to the temporary cessation of shipping from Europe and other parts of the world while adjustments to war-time conditions were made. At the end of the year, however, arrivals and tonnages had returned to normal and there seems a reasonable chance that traffic will hold up.

The shortage of storage space continues and at present we have very little working space.

During the year under review we were able to cope with all demands on our storage space but not without the greatest difficulty, and congestion in godowns is again acute. The provision of additional storage space is therefore of great importance, and is receiving the careful consideration of your Directors.

#### BUILDING PROGRAMME

Last year the Chairman reported the start of a building programme and this is being carried out as rapidly as possible.

The Coolie Quarters were finished just after the end of the year, were officially opened by H.E. the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, on February 3, 1940, and were occupied by the Coolies on February 5.

I feel sure the better housing of our Coolies will have satisfactory results.

The new six-storeyed godown is under way; the first three floors are practically completed and two of these floors are completely occupied.

Demolition of No. 3 Wharf has commenced and we are proceeding as rapidly as possible with the construction of the new one which will be 600' x 50' as against 500' x 37' for the old Wharf.

When war broke out in September last, fortunately the contracts for all the equipment for the new godown had been concluded, and all the steel for the Coolie Quarters, New Godown and the Wharf had arrived or was en route. It was obvious that if the work were not proceeded with the ultimate costs of the development would be far in excess of the present figures and so we decided to proceed with work which was in

hand or contemplated. There was an exception to this rule, however; arrangements for more efficient passenger facilities at No. 1 Wharf have been temporarily postponed. The delay is only temporary and is due to decreased passenger traffic.

In these days of uncertainty, one thing at least seems clear, we have to provide storage and to do this it is necessary generally to adhere to our building programme, replacing old buildings with modern and giving clients those facilities they receive elsewhere and properly expect. During the lean years we clung to many of the older godowns which now are uneconomic; some have been replaced but more remains to be done, and fortunately the Company's financial position allows us to replace essentials. One more transit shed and two six-storeyed godowns will be built this year.

#### SECONDER'S SPEECH

The chairman then proposed the adoption of the Report and Accounts, and in rising to second the motion Mr. G. G. N. Tinson said:—

I should like to refer to the death of Mr. P. M. Hodgson who seconded the Report and Accounts last year and whose recent death has deprived the Colony of one of its oldest and most respected members. I am sure the sympathy of all of us goes out to his widow and daughter.

It must have been patent to all shareholders during the course of last year that the results, which would be placed before them at this meeting, could not be expected to be as good as those for the year 1938, as the latter to a large degree were brought about by the very abnormal conditions which existed during that year.

#### JAPANESE BLOCKADE

During the year in question trade from this Company's point of view must have been extremely difficult; first of all due to the almost complete blockade of China's coastal ports by the Japanese and during the last three months of the year under review by the outbreak of war in Europe, and I think, therefore, that all shareholders must be extremely satisfied that the Accounts show a substantial surplus over the average for the ten years 1928 to 1937.

It is also a matter for congratulation that the Directors still intend to continue with their building programme for further modern and up-to-date godowns.

#### PROGRESSIVE POLICY

It is obvious that no Company can stand still, it must either go forward or backwards and the building programme, to which the chairman has referred, shows that the directors have full confidence in the future of this Colony, which I am sure is shared by all of us, and also that they have every intention not only of maintaining the position of this Company but of enhancing it.

It is also a matter of congratulation, I think, that storage rates, despite increased working expenses, have been maintained at their previous low figures and it is hoped that the Directors will be able to maintain these rates as long as possible.

With these remarks, I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report and Accounts as presented.

The motion was then put to the meeting and carried.

#### THOSE PRESENT

Messrs. Percy, Smith, Seth and Flemming and Messrs. Linstead and Davis, were re-elected auditors.

The attendance was as follows: Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Chairman), Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, Mr. A. H. Compston, Mr. J. H. Jessen, Mr. T. B. Wilson, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. C. C. Black, Mr. A. H. Penn (directors) and Mr. C. M. Manners (Secretary and Manager).

Shareholders:—Messrs. Chas. E. Terry, J. H. Seth, G. B. S. Thomson, Kwok Hin-wang, D. Mackenzie and G. G. N. Tinson.

## LADIES DAY AT ROTARY CLUB

Coloured lantern slides, from photographs taken in colour, showing various scenes of London and other parts of the British Isles, were shown to members of the Hongkong Rotarians Club their guests yesterday by Lt. Com. J. C. M. Grenham.

It was Ladies Day and there was a very large gathering present. Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, president of the Club, was in the chair, and was assisted by Mr. Harry Hong Sling, the Club's popular and energetic secretary.

Many of the pictures shown by Lt. Commander Grenham were excellent specimens of colour photography in which contrasts in shades were exceptionally well reproduced. They were all taken by Lt. Com. Grenham.

The pictures were shown to the accompaniment of appropriate music while Lt. Comdr. Grenham made an excellent commentator.

The vote of thanks to the speaker was proposed by Rotarian Walter C. Clark.

## WITTY PAPER ON GRAMMAR

### English Asscn. Meeting

An interesting, provocative and witty paper on Grammar was read by Mr. C. G. Solis, Director of Education, at a meeting of the English Association held at the Helena May Institute yesterday.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, took the chair. There was a large attendance, and many took part in the discussion that followed.

Most schools and teachers attached an exaggerated importance to the study of grammar, said Mr. Solis, who proceeded to combat the autocratic attitude of grammarians and suggested the need for a more tolerant and less superficial treatment of language than is given in orthodox grammar books.

His Excellency thanked speaker, while Mr. G. P. de Martin, observing that it was the last meeting of the present session and that the Hon. Secretary, Mr. K. W. Salter, would shortly be leaving the Colony, proposed a vote of thanks to the latter for his hard work and wished him the best of luck in the future.

## NEWSETTES

Sir Frederick Maze has been elected a Member d'Honneur de l'Association du Musée de Marine, Paris.

The annual general meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong will be held in the rooms of the Institution on Friday at 6 p.m.

The 25th Anniversary of the Founding of St. Paul's Girls' College will be observed in Lee Hysan Hall on April 24 at 5 p.m. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will be present.

His Honour Judge Sir Allan Mossop, Judge of H.B.M. Supreme Court, has consented to have his name proposed as chairman of the annual meeting of ratepayers to be held at the Race Club Stand on Wednesday, April 17, at 2.30 p.m.

The Chinese Kuomintang Office and other overseas Chinese organisations in Europe have jointly sent a cable to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek expressing their indignation at Wang Ching-wei's conspiracy against the State and pledging unflinching support to the National Government in Chungking.

Shanghai Chinese banking circles have agreed to continue to extend credit loans to legitimate business circles to meet their urgent requirements, but are determined to assist the two foreign municipal authorities in checking speculation in commodities.

The wedding took place on Mar. 26 at the Church of Christ the King, Shanghai, of Mr. William Stephen Ellerington James, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. James, of London, and Miss Marie Madeleine de Pryde, daughter of the late Mr. W. de Pryde and Mme de Pryde, of Tsingtao. The Rev. Leo F. McGreal, s.j., officiated.

## Jockey Weds At Registry

### MR. CHOY WING-CHIU AND MISS PHYLLIS GROSE

The wedding took place yesterday morning at the Registry, Supreme Court, of Mr. Choy Wing-chiu, secretary of the Star Taxi Co., Ltd., and Miss Phyllis Grose.

The families of the two parties are well-known in Hongkong, the bride being the youngest daughter of Mr. J. F. Grose, member of the Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association, and the bridegroom the son of Mr. Choa Po-min, member of the Hongkong Stock Exchange.

A racing enthusiast, the groom has had many successes as a jockey, both in Hongkong and Macao, while the bride, who graduated last year from the Hongkong University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, is extremely popular in many circles.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar of Marriages, officiated at the ceremony, the witnesses being the fathers of the happy couple. The bride's sister, Miss Margaret Grose, was bridesmaid, while Mr. Andrew Tsé was best man.

In the afternoon, the newly-weds received the good wishes of their many friends at a reception at the Hongkong Hotel, where the felicitous toast was proposed by the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo.

#### OTHER MARRIAGES

Other marriages registered at the Supreme Court Registry yesterday were as follows:—

Mr. Chan Wai-cheung, teacher, No. 30, Po Hing Fong Street, first floor, and Miss Ching Sul-hing, No. 69, Bonham Strand, third floor.

Mr. Chung How-liang, draughtsman, No. 152, Fa Yuen Street, second floor, and Miss Yuen Shul-chun, 27, Lee Tung Street, first floor.

Mr. Wong Ying-lau, student, No. 87, Bonham Street, East, and Miss Chan Chee-ping, No. 8, Glenally.

Mr. Poon Chan-keung, merchant, No. 3, Wing Wah Terrace, and Miss May Wong, No. 297, Hennessy Road, second floor.

Mr. Tung Mon-hual, merchant, No. 45, Wanchai Road, and Miss Lai Sau-chun, No. 388, Portland Street.

Mr. Chan Man-suen, No. 4, Sul Wah-tong, and Miss Sum Tak-tsing, No. 41, Conduit Road.

## FARMERS IN LITIGATION

A dispute over a loan of \$300 was heard in the Summary Court before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell yesterday when two Chinese farmers from Po Kung village were the complainant and the defendant respectively.

Yin Kam-yung sued Cheung Wai-kam for the recovery of \$376. Of this \$300 represented the amount of the loan obtained on a Chinese borrowing note, and \$76, being balance of \$118.50 due as interest for 13 months and five days from Feb. 14, 1939 to Mar. 7, 1940 at the rate of three cents in the dollar.

The plaintiff admitted that the defendant had paid him \$42.50 of the interest and that there was only a balance of \$76, still due to him under this head.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Ross appeared for the defendant and Mr. Hall for plaintiff.

The plaintiff, in his evidence, said that the defendant had alleged that he (defendant) had paid plaintiff \$390 at the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, and he denied further liability.

Hearing was adjourned to April 18.

## NEWSBOYS AND BOOT-BLACKS ARE ENTERTAINED

A very interesting party was held last Sunday (March 31) evening at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon for the news-boys and boot-blacks.

There were 240 boys present at the party, and all those boys had a lively time. The Y.M.C.A. provided a very enjoyable programme of stories, jokes, snake dance, magic and stunts. The boys themselves participated in a number of games. At the end of the party they received a bag of cake and sweets.

The Service Committee of the Y's Men's Club of which Mr. Ho Shiu-que is chairman and Messrs. Peter S. Wong, Lee Siu Wing, Lee Yuk Tong, S. B. Tan as members has organized a permanent club for these boys. Messrs. C. P. Wong, Dr. F. I. Tseung and William Yinson Lee are founders of the Club.

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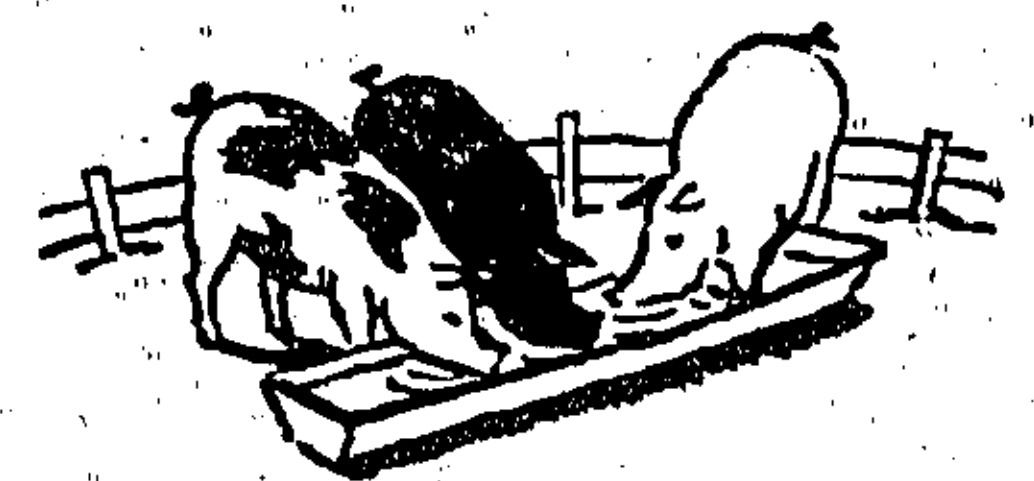


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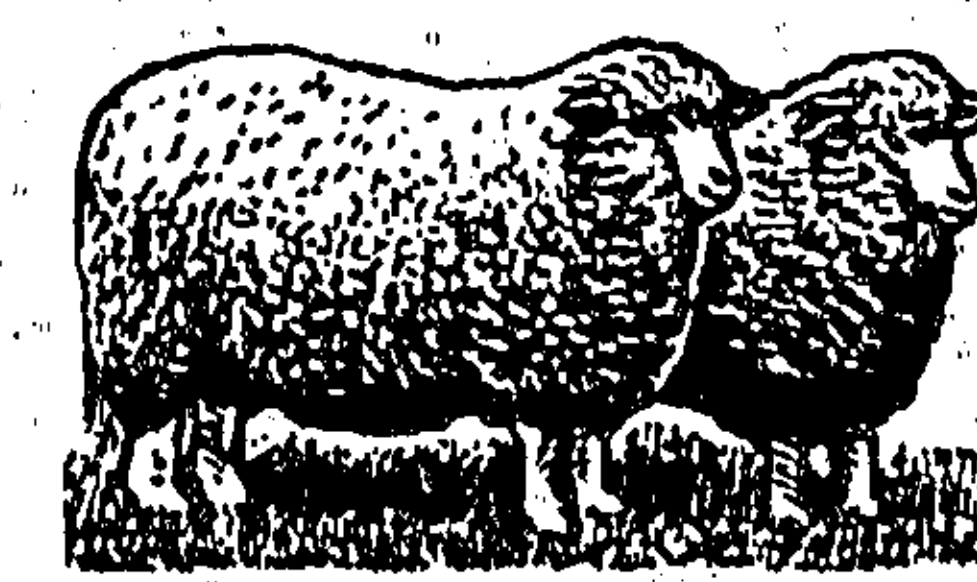
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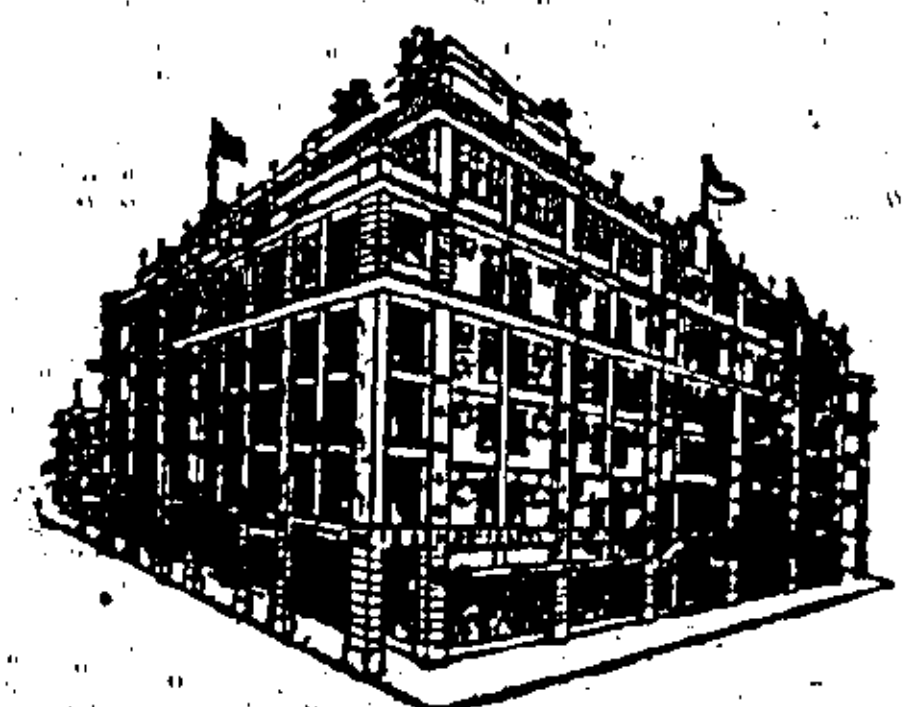
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## AUCTION

The following confiscated clocks will be sold by Public Auction on Tuesday, the 9th April, 1940, at 11.30 A.M. at the Imports & Exports Office, Fire Brigade Building, 2nd floor:—

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The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March, to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of April, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
1	No. 4239.	At the junction of Ma Tau Chung Road and Ma Tau Chung Road, Ma Tau Chung.	As per sale plan.	About 3,750	42	2,780

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
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Mr. George Sellett, legal counsel for the Corporation, was another arrival, from Manila.

Other passengers from Manila were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Angle, Mr. Fernando de Lara Reir, Major and Mrs. Charles A. Mize, Mr. Grant Corby, Master Grant Corby, jr., Miss Annette Corby, Miss Phyllis Reed, Mr. Willard L. Hart and Mr. Jack C. Bonamy.

Mr. Bonamy is Airport Manager for Pan-American Airways, and will be stationed in Hongkong in the Operations Department of Pan-American Airways.

## PASSENGERS

Sir James Reid Kay and Lady Kay were arrivals in the Colony yesterday from Bombay aboard an Italian liner.

Other arrivals from Bombay were Mr. and Mrs. H. Lourenz, Mr. C. Van Langeberg, from Singapore, Mr. H. J. Rohrbach, Mr. F. D. Pope, from Manila, Mr. and Mrs. G. Apacible, Mrs. C. B. Hart, Miss Caroline B. Hart and Miss Isabel Hart, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bayot and children, Mr. C. Ledesma, Mr. A. E. Hughes, Mr. F. A. Abraham, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Lumis, Misses Eva and Phyllis Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Knight and Mrs. E. N. Bragado.

An arrival from Port Said was Mr. E. C. Larke, from Genoa, Mrs. E. F. Forbes, Miss D. St. C. Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. K. Molland, Mrs. M. De Vos, Mr. E. De Vos, Mr. W. De Vos, from Naples, Mr. F. De La Vina, from Colombo, Mr. E. G. Hozwood, Mr. W. B. Beadle, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. W. Paget, Miss Margaret Paget.

Summoned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, at Kowloon Court yesterday for driving without due care and caution in Prince Edward Road near Leven Road on March 10, W. Kallay, of Gramplan Road, was fined \$20.

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THE COLONY'S  
FINANCES AND  
TAXATION

THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE notification last week of what has been generally accepted as an indication of the sound financial position of this Colony at the end of last year, appears to have given rise to feelings of undue optimism, particularly at a time when the Government, both in Hongkong and at Home, have repeatedly made it clear that even greater sacrifices by the peoples of the British Empire will become necessary for a successful prosecution of the war. Antagonists of the local administration's war taxation proposals have lost no time in seizing upon the published figure of a surplus of \$3,528,935 as furnishing positive proof in support of their contention that the proposed taxation is much too immoderate and that the business houses of Hongkong will have to bear a really severe burden.

THE CONCLUSION is a natural one. Business circles are already beginning to feel the effects of the war in Europe. Rising costs in freight, insurance and the other items connected with commercial transactions are cutting down profits to a minimum and as the demand for raw materials for war purposes grows heavier, prospects of pushing forward remunerative deals have begun to diminish. Cannot, therefore, the Government modify its war taxation plan, they ask, seeing that there is every reason to believe that the Colony's finances are sound enough to bear any additional calls on it from the mother country?

THE QUERY can hardly be regarded as logical. The largest increases in the Colony's expenditure in the current year will be under the head of Defence—a vast sum of money will have to be expended in order to bring the defences of the Colony up to date to meet any emergency that crop up during the coming months. And in this connexion, it would be imprudent not to keep in mind the words of one of the Colony's military authorities recently that there was no saying when Hongkong would be drawn into the hostilities.

DURING THE LAST QUARTER of 1939, when the war in Europe had only been in progress for a matter of three months, defence expenditure claimed a big slice of the Colony's revenue. With increased activity on the main war front imminent and this Colony loyally bound to contribute its full share to the Allied cause, any idea that the Government in Hongkong aims to make money out of the taxpayers by unreasonable demands must necessarily be completely dispelled. A surplus of over \$3,500,000 will prove a mere bagatelle when it comes to lending monetary support to Britain's war efforts, however much the Colony's revenue may remain unchanged or even show an increase.

A PERUSAL of the figures published in the Gazette, notification shows that the increases in revenue, where they occurred, were not, to any large extent, the result of planned economy or a boom in the avenues of Government income. The increases were



LIEUT. A. J. LE SEELEUR, of the Royal Engineers, winner of the Governor's Prize at the Bisle meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association, photographed with the trophies he won which includes an autographed picture of His Excellency the Governor.

"TONY DRAWS A  
HORSE"

"Tony Draws A Horse," which will be presented by the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club at the China Fleet Club Theatre tonight, promises to draw a capacity crowd, from what was seen of the play at the Dress Rehearsal last night.

The A.D.C. are putting on the show in aid of the British War Organisation Fund. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and Lady Northcote, have signified their intention of attending tonight's performance.

due more to circumstances. The Kowloon-Canton Railway profit, for instance, was not due to increased business, but to a heavy reduction in costs since activity was affected by the Sino-Japanese hostilities. Again, the profit on licences and internal revenue was a direct result of the recent demand for land for building purposes to relieve the congestion in the Colony caused by an increased population. This demand for land appears to be continuing and it would be well for the Government to create a Sinking Fund to which revenue from this source might be apportioned. These two sources alone contributed over fifty per cent. towards the surplus announced in the Government notification and cannot be considered as items of revenue which are likely to continue indefinitely in the years ahead.

THERE IS A CASE, however, for some leavening of the taxation burden as outlined in the proposals recently enunciated and adopted by the Government, at least with the object of encouraging capital to remain in the Colony. This leavening should not be summarily classed as unpatriotic, but merely as a gesture of goodwill and an understanding of the strained circumstances which trading circles in Hongkong are now facing as a result of the war. While most of the big commercial houses in the Colony have, according to their reports for last year, shown productive working, those at the helm of these concerns have sounded a note of warning in connexion with prospects for the future and many of them have wisely increased their reserves to cope with difficult times. The Government will be the first to admit the advisability of thrift and precautions for the future and in the circumstances, should do its best to mitigate the conditions under which it makes its calls on the public, always keeping in view the high sense of unflinching devotion and loyalty which this Empire post bears to the Mother Country in its war aims.

Costly Car  
Ride For  
Indians

Fines totalling \$150 were imposed at Kowloon Court by Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday on Bhac Singh, 21, of Marsden and Company, who was charged with having driven private car No. 6321 in a dangerous manner in Prince Edward Road on March 23; falling to report an accident; and having driven the car without the owner's permission.

Gurbachan Singh, 20, private watchman, accused of having aided and abetted Bhac Singh, was fined \$40. A third defendant, Gurdayal Singh, 21, unlicensed watchman charged with having given false information to the police by saying that he was detained by four Chinese in the East Asia Garage while the car was driven away, was fined \$50.

A fourth defendant, Gurdial Singh, 20, who was detained in hospital after the accident, and who was subsequently charged also with aiding and abetting the first defendant, was fined \$40.

Welcome For  
Soong Sisters

CHUNGKING, Apr. 2 (Reuter)—Chinese women's organisations here are planning a meeting to welcome the three Soong sisters who arrived from Hongkong two days ago.

Madame Sun Yat-sen, who is visiting the wartime capital for the first time, is staying with Madame H. H. Kung, her elder sister.

Mr. T. V. Soong, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank of China, gave a dinner last night in honour of his three sisters.

In an interview, Madame Chiang Kai-shek expressed gratification at the arrival of her two sisters and hoped that they would remain in Chungking and continue to work among Chinese women in connexion with the present war of resistance.

ONLY CHUNGKING  
IS RECOGNISED

LONDON, Apr. 2 (Havas)—The British Government has repeatedly proclaimed that the only Chinese Government Britain recognizes is the Chungking Government, and does not feel that it is necessary, following the formation of Wang's Government, to reaffirm the position, which is unchanged, authorised circles declare.

Naturally, Britain is observing with the greatest care the development of the situation and watching Wang's eventual progress in extending his power over the area under Japanese control; the attitude of the Chinese population towards the new Government; and whether Wang's actions are dependent or not on the Japanese Government or the Japanese military administration in China.

Work Of Christian  
Missions In Occupied  
Parts Of China Going  
Back To The Primitive

The work of Christian missions in the occupied parts of China is going back to the primitive, and the work being done at present resembles very much that of the first Christian missionaries in China, stated Mr. Charles Higgins, of the American Episcopal Mission, in a talk, before the annual meeting of St. Andrew's Branch of the Victoria Diocesan Missionary Association, on the "Progress of the Church in China under wartime conditions."

Much of the routine work in the various missions has been thrown back upon the foreign missionaries, and it is not unusual for a single missionary to have to conduct five church services in one day and in localities at a distance from one another.

In the city of Wuchang, which normally supports a population of more than 1,000,000, there are now about 35,000 people, on a conservative estimate, Mr. Higgins said, and they were finding it so difficult to find shelter that very nearly all were being housed in the various mission compounds in the city. Looting was so prevalent that every loose piece of wood is gone, and some buildings partially demolished and the bricks that had gone into the construction of them taken away.

Speaking before the meeting, the Rev. J. R. Higgins, Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, said that the Church could not be proud of the way in which it was supporting the Missions. St. Andrew's has a membership of some 200 to 300, of whom only 50 to 60 were supporting St. Andrew's branch of the V. D. M. A.

Officers elected for this year were Dr. K. H. Utley, Hon. Secretary; Mr. Hunt, Hon. Treasurer; Miss L. West, Asst. Secretary; Mrs. J. P. Robinson, Mr. R. Baldwin, Mrs. Bird, Cpl. Webb, Miss Gibbons Committee Members. A representative of the Fellowship of Youth, and also Miss Pope, are to be co-opted on the Committee.

PRISON MURDER HEARING  
Accused Committed To Sessions  
"I will kill you never mind if I have to be hanged for it."

This statement was alleged to have been made, by a long-term convict, Li Shek-man, alias Li Tok, alias Man Kai-tsai, who is accused of the murder of a fellow-prisoner, Lau Chuen, in the Hongkong Prison on Feb. 4.

The preliminary hearing concluded at the Central Court yesterday when Li was committed by Mr. T. J. Houston to the Criminal Sessions.

Lau Chuen was alleged to have been stabbed a day prior to his release. He died in the Queen Mary Hospital on Mar. 9.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, conducted the prosecution, assisted by Det. Insp. L. R. Whant.

Det. Insp. A. E. Carey, in evidence, told the Court that on March 11, he identified the body of Lau Chuen, with whom he had had certain Police dealings.

The stabbing was then described by Assistant Warden Feroz Din, who said that on the morning of Feb. 4, the prisoners were permitted to take their usual exercise. The recreation ended at 10.50 a.m. and the prisoners were marched back to their respective cells. Ten prisoners went in to ward No. 1, and waited to enter the cells.

"SOMETHING IN HAND"  
"As I was walking along ward No. 1, I saw a prisoner going towards cell No. 78," continued witness. "He was third in the file. He went off in a quick movement. It appeared to me that he had something which looked like iron in his hand. He stood at the entrance of No. 78 cell and raised his hand in a stabbing movement. The door of the cell was opened."

"I at once rushed towards him and held him by the collar as he raised his right hand again. Then I saw something like a knife. I threw him on the ground and, as he fell, he threw the piece of iron."

"I then saw a prisoner inside the cell. He was standing near the door, bending forward, with his hand holding his chest."

Witness further said that when he was holding the accused, he heard the accused, addressing the deceased, say: "I will kill you never mind if I have to be hanged for it."

ACCUSED'S DENIAL  
The defendant, making the statement in such a form when he cross-examined the witness. He said that his statement was addressed to himself and was: "I had fought with the informer on many occasions and if during this occasion he was killed, it would be my business if I would get hanged."

Det. Insp. Whant gave evidence of the investigations, while the dying deposition taken from the deceased was produced in Court by Mr. D. H. C. Taylor, Chief Clerk at the Magistracy.

A statement made by the defendant, when charged with the murder of Lau Chuen was read in Court.

Foreign Planes  
Over Belgium

BRUSSELS, Apr. 2 (Reuter)—There are reports that foreign planes were over Belgium yesterday afternoon and this morning, seven being identified as German and one as British.

The Belgian Ambassadors in Berlin and London have been instructed to make energetic protests.

CHILDREN'S DAY  
CELEBRATION

Some 350 children, chosen from thousands of children of the Kowloon Schools, will take part in the Children's Day celebration at the Chinese Y. M. C. A. Waterloo Road, at noon tomorrow. There will be an exhibition of a thousand pieces of paintings, sketches, embroideries, essays, and scrolls.

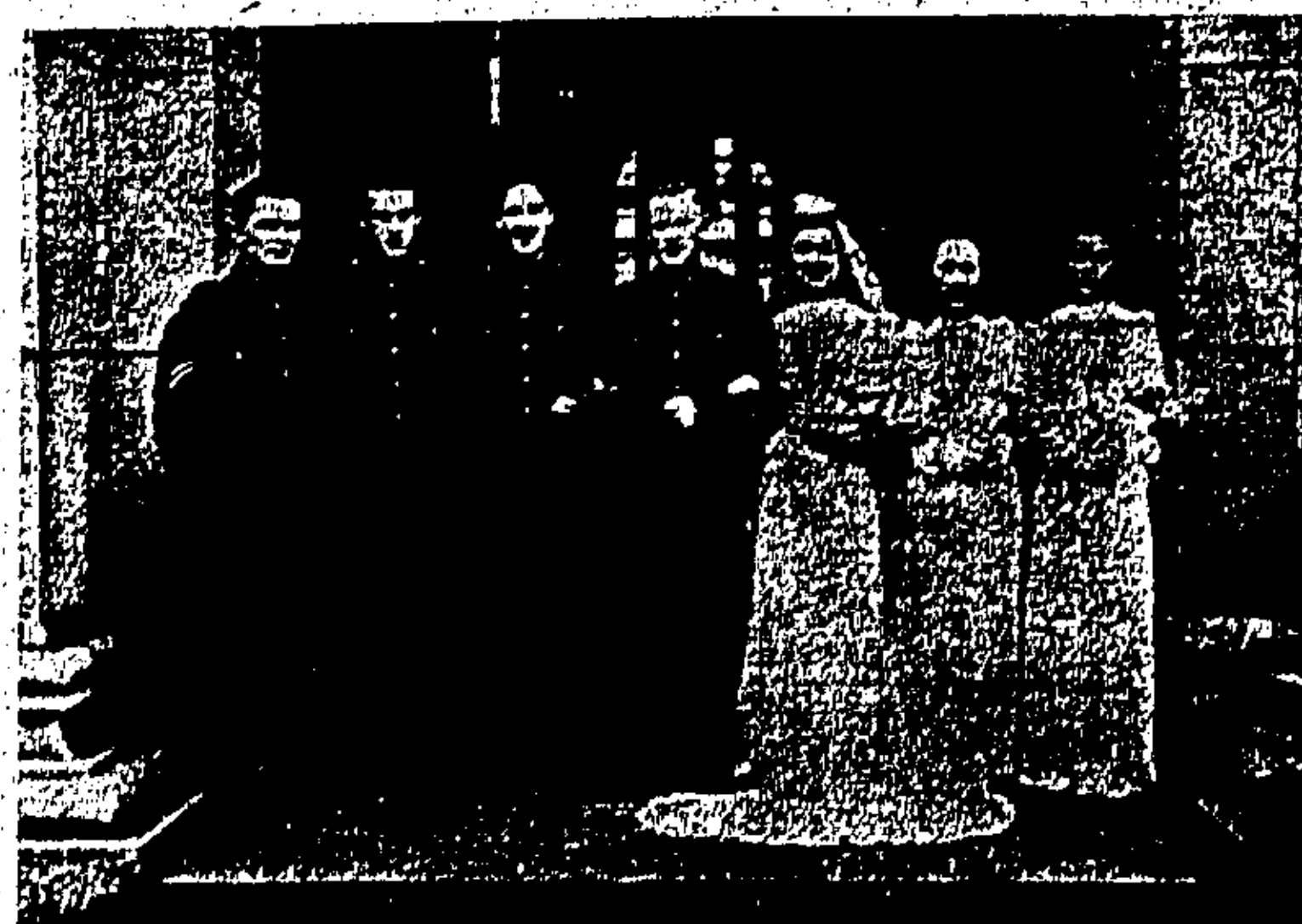
The public is invited to attend the celebration on Thursday noon and the exhibition, the latter will be opened until Saturday evening.

REPRIEVE FOR  
ECKFORD

CHUNGKING, April 2 (Reuter)—The British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr, has decided to reprieve James Eckford, a private in the Seaforth Highlanders, who is under sentence of death for the murder of a comrade in Shanghai.

The sentence has been commuted to life imprisonment with hard labour.

The reprieve follows the presentation of a petition to the Ambassador by British and American residents in Shanghai.



Mr. and Mrs. James L. A. Worton after their marriage at the Registry on Saturday. The bride was formerly Miss Au Sai-yin.



# ALLIED CONTROL TO EXTEND TO THE ADRIATIC?

## German Ships Reported Due In Dubrovnik

LONDON, APRIL 2 (REUTERS)—ALLIED CONTROL MAY SOON BE EXTENDED TO THE ADRIATIC IF RUMOURS PROVE TRUE THAT 27 GERMAN STEAMERS ARE EXPECTED IN DUBROVNIK FOR THE LOADING OF YUGOSLAV WHEAT AND MINERALS FOR TRANSPORTATION TO THE REICH VIA THE ITALIAN RAILWAYS.

This new "round-about transportation" of Yugoslav goods is said to have been decided on because the Yugoslav railways are not sufficient to transport all Germany's requirements.

## PALESTINE PUBLIC SECURITY NORMAL

LONDON, APR. 2 (Reuters)—Public security in Palestine is normal, announces the Ministry of Information.

Reports reaching London show that the excitement in the earlier part of March has died down and that, since Mar. 8, there has been none of the Jewish demonstrations which followed the issues of land and transfer regulations.

The rest of the month was entirely quiet but for an attack on a Jewish truck near Nablus on Mar. 17 when a Jew was killed and another wounded.

## NEW AIR SERVICE

LONDON, APR. 2 (Reuters)—A Royal Dutch air liner, it is learned in London, left Amsterdam today for Lisbon, inaugurating the connecting service with the Yankee Clipper for America.

The service will be run twice weekly in both directions, giving a four-day connexion with New York.

For the time being only freight and mail will be carried.

## SWEDISH ORE EXPORTS

LONDON, APR. 2 (Havas)—Authorized comment from local Norwegian quarters points out that over nine-tenths of the exports of Swedish iron-ore could probably be sent directly from the Swedish port of Lulea, near the top of the Gulf of Bothnia, instead of using the Norwegian port of Narvik as in the past.

These same circles emphasize the transit of Swedish iron-ore via Narvik benefits Britain as well as Germany.

In fact, exports of Swedish iron-ore to Britain exceeded the same exports to Germany.

They conclude by stressing that Norway permitted this transit without discrimination as to its destinations, thereby strictly abiding by her obligations as a neutral state.

## NEW RUSSIAN DEFENCE WORKS

BUCHAREST, APR. 2 (Reuters)—Reports from Cernauti state that Russia is going ahead rapidly with the construction of concrete defence works along her new frontier with the German-occupied Poland.

The inhabitants are stated to have been warned to evacuate the frontier regions and to move into Soviet-occupied Poland.

## R.A.F. Pilots Fight Two Heinkels Over North Sea

LONDON, APR. 2 (REUTERS)—THREE R.A.F. PILOTS FOUGHT TWO GERMAN HEINKELS ONLY TWENTY FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL OVER THE NORTH SEA TODAY.

The three pilots had never before been in a battle.

One pilot, who received a flesh wound, landed his machine as soon as he crossed the British coast.

Three Hurricanes were patrolling over the North Sea before breakfast when they came upon two Nazi raiders searching for merchant shipping.

As the leading fighter pilot opened with his eight guns, one of the Heinkel gunners fired a short burst and then stopped suddenly. He did not fire again during the action.

The rumours are not given much credence, as Germany knows her ships will be seized as soon as they venture outside Italian territorial waters.

Meanwhile Allied intervention in the Black Sea is improbable for the time being, and is entirely dependent on the amount of help Germany receives from Russia.

The conviction is gaining ground here that Russia is seeking by all means to avoid open hostilities with the Allies, being conscious of her inability to face Britain and France either in the military or economic fields.

### READY TO COME TO TERMS

Certain Soviet circles have even given it to be understood that Russia is ready to sign an agreement with the Allies binding her not to retransmit to Germany any goods imported through Soviet harbours. These semi-official indications are received at the moment with some distrust.

Meanwhile, the seized Soviet steamers will not be released and other seizures will eventually be made.

### GERMAN TRADE IN SCANDINAVIA

LONDON, APR. 2 (Havas)—Diplomatic circles here report that the Allies have adjourned examination of the question of intercepting German trade in Scandinavia and that consultations between Paris, London and the Scandinavian capitals are temporarily interrupted.

This does not mean the Allies will indefinitely allow the abuse of territorial waters but merely that certain decisions which Britain and France intended to announce immediately to Norway and Sweden are delayed pending the elaboration of the technical details.

### NOT RENUNCIATION

This delay should not be construed as a renunciation by the Allies of their determination to tighten the blockade.

The Allied decision to postpone the tightening of the naval control around Scandinavia came somewhat as a surprise.

Informed circles, however, say that the delay should not be interpreted as a sign that the Allies will eventually desist from preventing German abuse of her neighbours' neutrality but rather that it is only due to a desire to work out thoroughly certain technical details.

Diplomatic reasons probably also played their part in the Allied decision.

### ITALIAN MARINES CALLED UP

PARIS, APR. 2 (Havas)—Ten classes of the Italian Marine Reserve have been ordered to report immediately to concentration points, reports the Rome correspondent of the "Paris Soir."

At the same time, all fishing craft have been ordered to return to their harbours, he reports.

Official confirmation is lacking.

## WILL HELP EMPIRE WITH ALL RESOURCES

BHOPAL, APR. 2 (Reuters)—"I have made up my mind to help the Empire with all the resources of my State," declared the Nawab of Bhopal when opening the fifth session of the Bhopal Legislature today.

His Highness added: The Empire finds itself in the throes of a struggle to maintain and safeguard the world order which we have all learnt to cherish and which our enemies are out to destroy.

"If the field of hostilities is extended, there is every possibility of India being faced with all that war stands for."

## POSER FOR TELEKI

### ON RETURN FROM ROME VISIT

PARIS, APR. 2 (Havas)—Coming back from Italy—where he examined the most delicate international problems—the Hungarian Premier, M. Teleki, is facing the most difficult home situation, diplomats here point out.

The pro-German faction—which represents the middle classes in opposition to M. Teleki, who represents the big landowners—have gained considerable strength of late owing to the population's fear of a German invasion.

### AGRARIAN REFORM

Headed by the former Premier, Bela Imredy, the Opposition seeks a rapprochement with Germany. Its stand is reinforced by the Nazis open sponsoring of agrarian reform favouring the middle class against the big landowners.

Molotov's speech has further complicated matters.

M. Teleki promised Mussolini that Hungary would postpone her claims against Rumania. The Opposition feels that Hungarian pretensions may be satisfied in favour of a Soviet aggression against Rumania, just as Hungary benefitted from German aggression against Czechoslovakia. It will require all M. Teleki's ability to handle the extremely delicate situation.

## POLL REVEALS DECREASING SYMPATHY FOR THE NAZIS

NEW YORK, APRIL 1 (Reuters)—The 31st Gallup poll held by the New York Times reveals that "American sentiment was overwhelmingly behind the Allies in the first seven months of the war. Eighty-four per cent of those questioned wish for an Allied victory. The small group favouring Germany" has been reduced from two per cent to one per cent.

The period of comparison was six months.

One voter in every six says that he is less sympathetic to the Allies and is beginning to feel that the Allies are nearly as much to blame as Germany, or that the Allies are not doing all they could, or that the Allies did not do enough for Finland.

Most frequently such criticisms are from younger citizens between 21 and 30.

But for every person who feels less sympathetic to the Allies, nearly two persons say that they feel more sympathetic.

Those favouring the Allies are as follows:

More sympathetic 28 per cent.  
Less sympathetic 17 per cent.  
The Same 55 per cent.

## Admiral Sir Geo. Egerton Dies At 88

Admiral Sir George le Clerc Egerton, K. C. B., R. N. (Retired), who was Commander-in-Chief, Plymouth, from 1913 to 1916, died in London yesterday, at the age of 88 years, says a Reuter message.

Admiral Sir George Egerton entered the Navy in 1886 and served with the Arctic Expedition 1875-78. He was Naval A. D. C. to H. M. the King in 1906 and second-in-command of the Atlantic Fleet 1906-07.

From 1911 to 1912 he was Second Sea Lord of the Admiralty. He was knighted in 1910.

### J. A. HOBSON PASSES

LONDON, APR. 1 (Reuters)—The death has occurred of the famous economist, J. A. Hobson, aged 81.

John Atkinson Hobson, M.A., was educated at Derby School and Lincoln College, Oxford. He was Classical Master at Faversham and Exeter from 1880 to 1887, Lecturer in English Literature and Economics for the Oxford University Extension Delegation and the London Society for Extension of University Teaching from 1887 to 1897.

The late Mr. Hobson was the author of many publications on economics, and other well-known books.

### SIR JOHNHEIT HOTZE

CAPE TOWN, APR. 1 (Reuters)—The death is announced of Sir Johnheit Hotze, former Judge of the Union Appeal Court and formerly Chief Justice of the South African Republic (Transvaal). He was aged 91.

### WAR VETERAN DIES

PARIS, APR. 2 (Havas)—Admiral Bonarch, who gained fame in the last war as commander of the French marines, who stepped the German thrust on the Dismude/Sear front, has died here at the age of 75.

During the last years of the Great War he directed the anti-submarine defence and invented a system permitting the sweeping from the seas of mines and by the U-boats.

After the war, he became Chief of General Staff of the French Navy.

As a young man, he saw service in the Far East, including the Boxer campaign.

## RECORD WEEK MARRED

LONDON, APR. 2 (Reuters)—What was thought to be a record last week, when it was announced that no British ships were sunk, has been marred by the announcement that the Barnhill, 5,439 tons, which had been bombed and set afire, must now be considered as a total loss.

## WEEKLY SHIPPING LOSSES

### Lowest Since January 1

LONDON, APR. 1 (BWS)—Losses due to enemy action for the week ending March 31 were one British ship, Daghestan (5,742 tons) and four neutral, totalling 8,159 tons. The neutral ships include two Norwegian, Burgos and Cometa, and Danish, Britta, and Dutch, Protinus. The Burgos was in convoy when she struck a mine and sank.

The British Barnhill (5,439 tons) bombed last week and set on fire is now considered a total loss. This week's total losses are the lowest since the first of the year and the fourth lowest since the commencement of hostilities. They represent only one-third of the average weekly losses throughout the 30 weeks since the war began and only one-tenth of the average weekly losses during the first seven months of 1917.

During the past week, another German vessel, Mimi Horn (4,007 tons) was intercepted in Northern waters, scuttled and set on fire by the crew. This brings the total German losses from capture, scuttling and sinking to 303,948 tons. Up to noon, March 29, 29 ships had been lost in British convoys out of a total of 14,934 British, Allied and neutral ships conveyed, or one in 515.

Only three neutral ships were lost in convoy out of 2,215, or one in 738.

## QUIET MONTH FOR LIFEBOATS

### 1,851 Lives Saved Since War Began

LONDON, APR. 2 (BWS)—The month of March was the quietest since the war began for the lifeboat service but the busiest March as compared with that month in other years in the history of the service.

There were 72 launches of lifeboats and 77 lives saved. Rewards of nearly £2,600 were received by crews from the National Lifeboat Institution.

Since the war started 1,851 lives were saved by lifeboats, making an average of 62 per week.

## DENUNCIATION OF WANG

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to complicate the international situation.

AND HE HOPED THAT WITH THE END OF THE SOVIET - FINNISH WAR CLOSER CO - OPERATION WOULD BE EFFECTED AMONG THE POWERS, PARTICULARLY RUSSIA, BRITAIN, THE UNITED STATES AND FRANCE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE IN THE FAR EAST.

Generalissimo Chiang stated that the Japanese intended to play the powers against each other in the hope of strengthening her own position in the Far East but such a policy had failed. He declared that despite pressure and threats from Japan the policy of the United States Government in the Far East is becoming stronger daily.

After stressing the internal difficulties of Japan and also Japan's isolated position in international relations he predicted an early collapse of Japan's adventure in China.

### ECONOMIC RECONSTRUCTION

Referring to domestic affairs he pointed the strides made towards the early establishment of a constitutional Government in China. After explaining the importance of economic reconstruction during time of resistance, he stated that the creation of the new Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry was for the specific purpose of improving the

## On The Chinese War Front

SOMEWHERE IN WEST SUYUAN, April 2 (Central)—Another defeat has been suffered by the Japanese launching a counter-offensive on Wuyuan, important town in west Suiyuan recently recaptured by the Chinese. The Japanese, totalling more than 10,000 men, counter-attacked with the support of artillery and aircraft. They were alleged to have also used poison gas. After four days' bitter combat they were put to flight last weekend. Chinese forces in pursuit of the retreating enemy are rapidly advancing on Anpei, east of Wuyuan.

### KINSHAW, April 2 (Central)—

Tatumkiao and Tangshan, two important points near Siao-shan, on the south bank of the Chien-tang River opposite Hangchow, were recovered by Chinese units on Sunday. The Japanese have retreated to Siao-shan.

economic conditions of Chinese farmers.

The Generalissimo, attired in military uniform, appeared to be in excellent spirits and health as he presided at the meeting. He frequently smiled and nodded to members.

### WANG'S DENUNCIATION

Mr. Chang Po-ling, Vice-Chairman of the Council and President of Nankai University, announced that the formal statement denouncing Wang Ching-wei would be discussed and adopted at today's session of the Council. The draft had been discussed at an informal tea party of members on Sunday. Foreign pressmen were invited to attend this morning's opening ceremony.

## Japan Still Anxious

### WANG OR NO WANG!

LONDON, April 2 (Reuters)—The Yorkshire Post yesterday devoted its main leading article to Japan's programme in China.

Unfortunately, from the point of view of Wang Ching-wei and his Japanese sponsors, says the paper, there is still a formidable obstacle in their way.

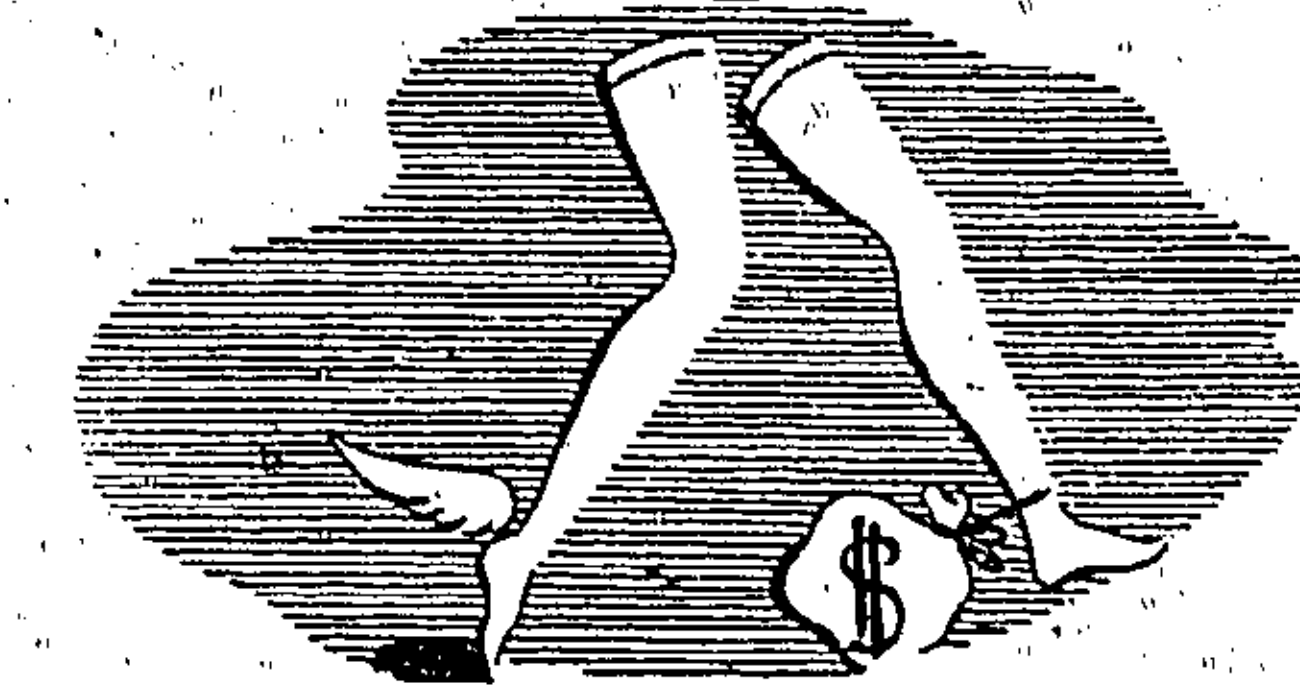
Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is still in Chungking and public support for him has been strengthened rather than weakened by the Japanese assault.

His army is still intact and well supplied, and his guerrilla bands still harass the Japanese. The Japanese may talk of ending the China Incident and speak of the present disturbances, but they cannot hide from the world their anxiety, for despite Wang Ching-wei, the China Incident threatens to be a drain on her resources and be a serious embarrassment for her statesmen for many days to come.

## POTATOES FOR ANIMAL FODDER

LONDON, April 2 (Reuters)—The Ministry of Food announces that six factories will be built to convert surplus potatoes into animal feeding stuffs. They will probably be built on the east coast of Scotland, Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, and are expected to handle about 100,000 tons per year. They are regarded as only the first of many.

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Bookcases, Cabinets, Desks, Tea-  
pots, etc., etc.

Carpets, Rugs, Cutlery, E. P.  
Brass, Aluminium, Glass and  
Porcelain Ware, Curios, Ornaments,  
Pictures, Clocks, Gramophones and  
Records, Electric Table Fans and  
Lamps, Books, Cooking Utensils,  
etc., etc.

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A FEW PIECES OF BLACKWOOD  
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4 Radio Sets  
2 "Underwood" Typewriters  
2 Porcelain Wash Basins  
1 Ceiling Fan  
1 Electric Washing Machine  
1 Fire Extinguisher  
1 "Agfa" Cine-camera 8mm.

On View from Thursday, the 4th  
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## RAINFALL

The total rainfall for the month  
recorded at the Botanic Gardens  
amounted to 13.14 inches the highest  
recordings being 3.87 inches  
on March 18, 2.66 on March 20  
and 2.38 on March 31.

No rain fell on eight days.

## RADIO PROGRAMMES

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Nocturne in B-flat Minor, Op. 9,  
No. 1; Andante-Spianato, Op. 22;  
Polonaise-Fantaisie No. 7 in A-flat  
Major, Op. 61.

10.15 Schumann—Symphony No. 4  
in D Minor, Op. 120.

London Symphony Orchestra con-  
ducted by Bruno Walter.

11.00 London Relay—"Matters of  
Moment."

Talk by Minister of Economic War-  
fare.

11.15 Close down.

REALTY COMPANY AGAIN  
DECLARES DIVIDEND"Lido Lady" Completely  
Wrecked By Typhoon

A satisfactory year's work was reviewed by the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce when he presided at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd., held yesterday.

The chairman made the announcement that the profit for the year under review totalled \$82,390.45 and this, together with the sum of \$26,855.88 made the sum of \$109,246.33 available for appropriation.

In this connection the chairman went on to say that the Board of Directors recommended the payment of a dividend of 40 cents per share, involving \$80,000 and to carry forward the balance of \$29,246.33 to the 1940 account.

In the course of his speech the Hon. Mr. Pearce said that "the profit for 1939 decreased by some \$12,000—on comparison with the previous year.

"A perusal of the credit items appearing on the Profit and Loss Account shows an increase of over \$5,000—in the Investment's earnings and a decrease of over \$10,000—on the Balance of Working Account figure. The latter is accounted for by the comparative revenue reduction on the Repulse Bay Lido operation, brought about by the lateness in the start of the past Summer season and the International situation which arose in August last, causing a considerable curtailment of the patronage that ordinarily would have been accorded the establishment.

"On the debit side of the Profit and Loss Account the only item appearing to call for particular explanation is that of 'Raft and Moorings' in the sum of \$8,354.75, written off. In this connection I would inform you the 'Lido Lady' was wrecked in the typhoon of November 23, last and the hull was sold as the repair costs were considered prohibitive. I would add that it never has been possible to obtain Insurance cover against any risk other than that of total loss so the rehabilitation expense would not have been recoverable.

**RESTAURANT EXTENSION**  
"In the Balance Sheet you will observe various capital accretions to the Lido Buildings. Furniture, Fixtures and Machinery; the major portion of this expenditure was incurred in connection with an extension to the Lido Restaurant. 'Investments at Cost' appear at practically the same figure as recorded in the previously issued Balance Sheet; on comparison with the market value thereof at the end of last year, a deficit of over eight lakhs is revealed, but a marked appreciation in values this year has resulted in a recovery of over two lakhs of this difference at date."

WELFARE OF  
TROOPS AT  
HOMEADVISORY COUNCIL  
FORMED

The Marquess of Crewe has accepted the presidency of an Advisory Council formed to assist Col. H. L. Nathan, M.P., Director of Welfare for the troops in the Eastern and London Command.

The Lords Lieutenant of the counties in the Command will be vice-presidents, with the Earl of Athlone as chairman of the executive committee. Field-Marshal Lord Birdwood as vice-chairman, and Sir Alan Anderson, M.P., as treasurer.

Others who have agreed to serve on the council are:

Lord McGowan, Viscount Wakefield, Sir Max Bonn, Major-General Lord Loch, Mr. R. Holland Martin, Sir Thomas Keens, Lady Gordon-Finlayson, Major-General Cecil Pereira, Viscountess Snowden, Judge Hildesley, Col. Sir Richard Eaton, Gen. G. L. Carpenter of the Salvation Army, Mr. H. T. Tewson (Trades Union Congress), Brig-General Sir Frederick Gascoigne, Brig-General W. L. Osborn, Sir Murrrough Wilson, Sir Kenneth Barnes, and the High Sheriff of Bedfordshire.

Representatives have also been appointed from: The Y.M.C.A., the Y.W.C.A., the Church Army, the Union Jack Club, The H. the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association, the British Drama League, the Amateur Athletic Board, the Incorporated Society of Musicians, the Performing Right Society, the Rotary Club of London, the Newspaper Society, and the Church of England Moral Welfare Council.

"On the Liabilities side of the Balance Sheet you will notice an increase in the overdraft of \$13,000—which in the light of the dividend payment of \$80,000—and the capital expenditure effected in the course of the past year, cannot be considered unsatisfactory.

The extension to the Lido Restaurant, to which I already have referred, was necessary in order to permit of the proper accommodation of patrons at certain rush periods, a position which never had been possible before. The opportunity was therefore taken of making an attractive dining room replete with all facilities for evening entertainment, and the result is, I feel sure, worthy of public support.

## REPORT ADOPTED

There being no further matters appearing to call for explanation, I now formally propose that the report of the Directors and the Accounts for the financial year ended December 31, 1939, as presented, be adopted, and that from the balance of \$109,246.33 standing to the credit of Profit and Loss Account at that date, a dividend of forty cents per Share on 200,000 Shares be paid, and the then remaining balance of \$29,246.33 be carried forward to the Account for the year 1940.

The adoption of the report and accounts was duly carried.

Mr. John Fleming and Mr. E. M. Raymond were re-elected to the Board, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-appointed auditors.

## THOSE PRESENT

The following were present: The Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, (Chairman) Messrs. E. M. Raymond, P. K. Kwok, and John Fleming, (directors) and Mr. J. H. Taggart, O.B.E. (Managing Director).

Shareholders present were: Messrs. W. C. Clark, P. H. Suckling, A. M. d'Esca, Lo Chung-wan. The chairman was assisted by Mr. F. C. Barry (secretary).



BRITAIN'S DEFENCE AGAINST THE DIVE BOMBER.—A barrage balloon anchored to a barge "somewhere off the coast of England."

COLONY HEALTH  
RETURNS

The following is the return of notifiable diseases, notified as having occurred in the Colony of Hongkong during the week ended on March 30:—Small-pox seven cases (six deaths), diphtheria five cases, enteric fever 15 cases (seven deaths), measles seven cases, chicken-pox 16 cases (one death), three imported, cerebro-spinal fever 20 cases (12 deaths), dysentery 33 cases (nine deaths) and tuberculosis 204 cases (106 deaths, one imported).

The remains of the late Mrs. Emenia Maria Vincent-Botelho were laid to rest on Mar. 27 at the Pahnjenjao Cemetery, Shanghai, in the presence of relatives and a number of friends. The deceased was the widow of the late Elias Francisco Botelho and grandmother of Guido, Peter, Nestore, Angela di Lorenzo, Mrs. A. Paul and Mrs. J. R. G. Siqueira. She died at her residence on Avenue du Roi Albert at the age of seventy-three years.

REFUGEES AND  
DESTITUTES

The following table shows the number of refugees and destitutes accommodated in the various camps in urban and rural areas:—

	Week ending	
	1940	1939
<b>Urban Areas</b>		
Civilians		
King's Park	1,296	1,296
Ma Tau Chung	1,643	1,576
North Point	1,330	1,425
Morrison Hill	472	480
<b>Soldiers</b>		
In hospital	18	25
Argyle Street	694	687
<b>Tai Hang</b>		
Squatters Camp	1,277	1,331
<b>Ngau Tau Kok</b>		
Squatters Camp	10	15
<b>Rural Areas</b>		
Kam Tin	2,154	2,152
	8,894	8,987

Baptists Say President  
Must Explain Vatican  
Relationship

WASHINGTON.—When President Roosevelt returned to the White House he had before him a request from the Baptist Church that he issue a public statement clarifying the diplomatic status of Ambassador Myron C. Taylor, personal representative of the President to the Vatican.

The need for such clarification, according to Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, Chairman of the Executive Committee on Public Relations of the Baptist Church, rests on the fact that, whatever the President's original intentions, the Vatican has indicated that it will accept Ambassador Taylor's credentials as equivalent to the establishment of regular diplomatic relations with the United States.

## NO DISTINCTION

Dr. Weaver declares that the statement by a Vatican jurist, reported in cables from Rome, that Ambassador Taylor as the personal envoy of President Roosevelt is not distinguished from other diplomatic agents representing other states, "fills the 10,250,000 American Baptists with dismay."

Newspaper dispatches from Rome have recorded it as the Vatican view that, whatever the conception in Washington, diplomatic relations with the United States are automatically established as soon as the "letter of credence," signed by the President, is presented, and that thereby Ambassador Taylor becomes the representative of the sovereign State, not merely the personal representative of the head of the State.

Dr. Weaver submits that assurances were given by President Roosevelt to the several spokesmen of Protestant faiths, who by invitation met with him at the White House on Jan. 9, that this would not be the outcome. In view of the position which the Vatican has apparently taken, Dr. Weaver now asks the President to make clear publicly Ambassador Taylor's precise status.

"It was expected by those who attended the conference with the President that he would make a public declaration that under no conditions would Mr. Taylor be an Ambassador to the Vatican, but simply a representative of the President, called an Ambassador for social purposes, to relay messages as he wished them to be delivered," Dr. Weaver says.

"If the President does not intercept Mr. Taylor and allow the Pope of Rome to establish a diplomatic relationship contrary to Article II, Section 2, of the Constitution, which says that the President shall nominate and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate shall appoint ambassadors then an issue of the greatest possible moment will be created.

"Can the free people of America permit a foreign ecclesiastical power to name the terms under which a representative of the President of the United States shall be recognized?"

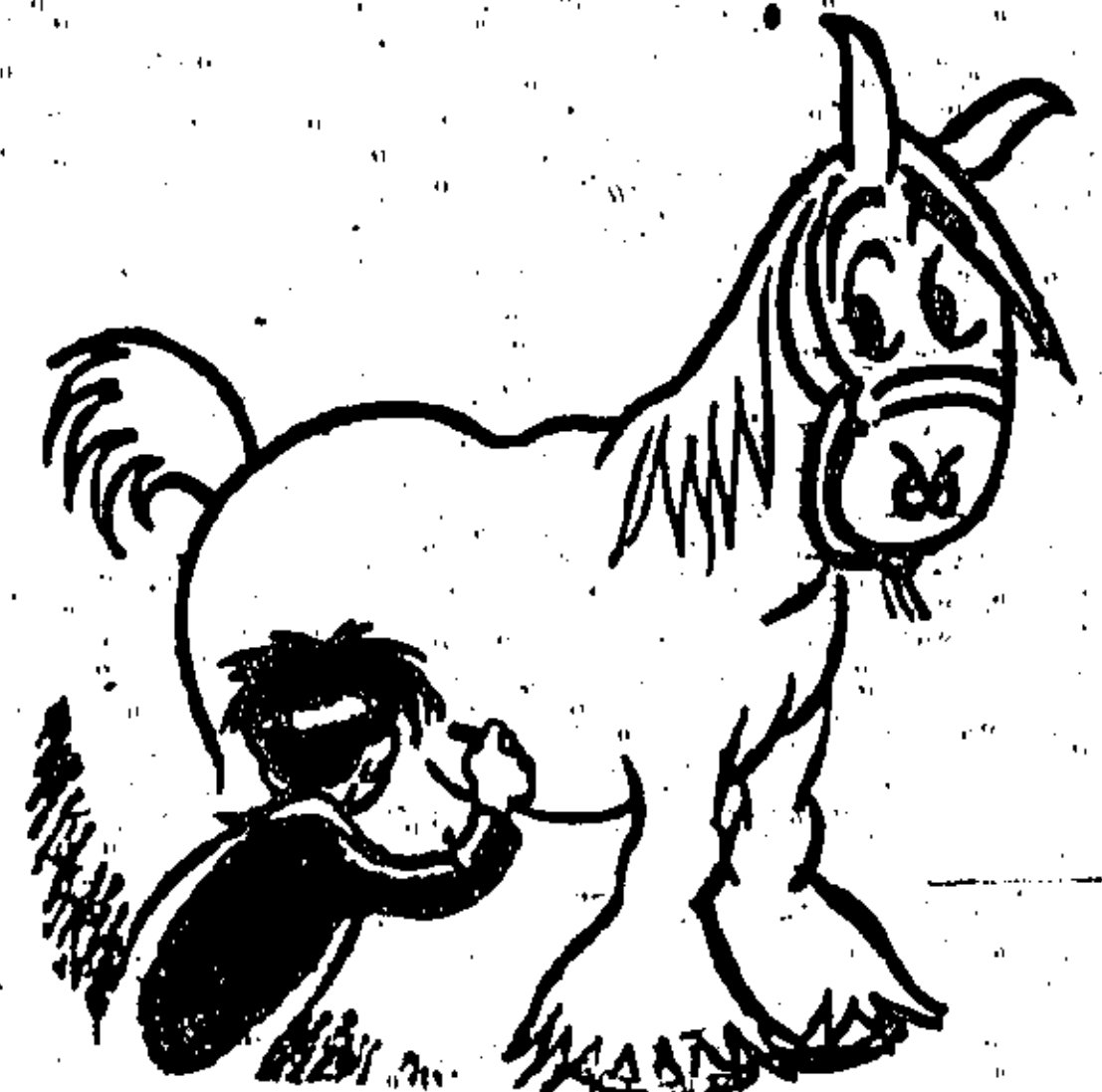
## "LIP SERVICE"

"The Baptists and the other evangelical groups who protested the appointment of Mr. Taylor, accepted with serious reservations the explanations of the President, and if he does not clarify the situation by a public statement and appropriate action, they will be compelled to believe that the President is giving only lip service to his proclaimed devotion to the principle of the separation of Church and State.

"We believe that the time has come for the President to give instant attention to the recall of Mr. Taylor."—(Christian Science Monitor).

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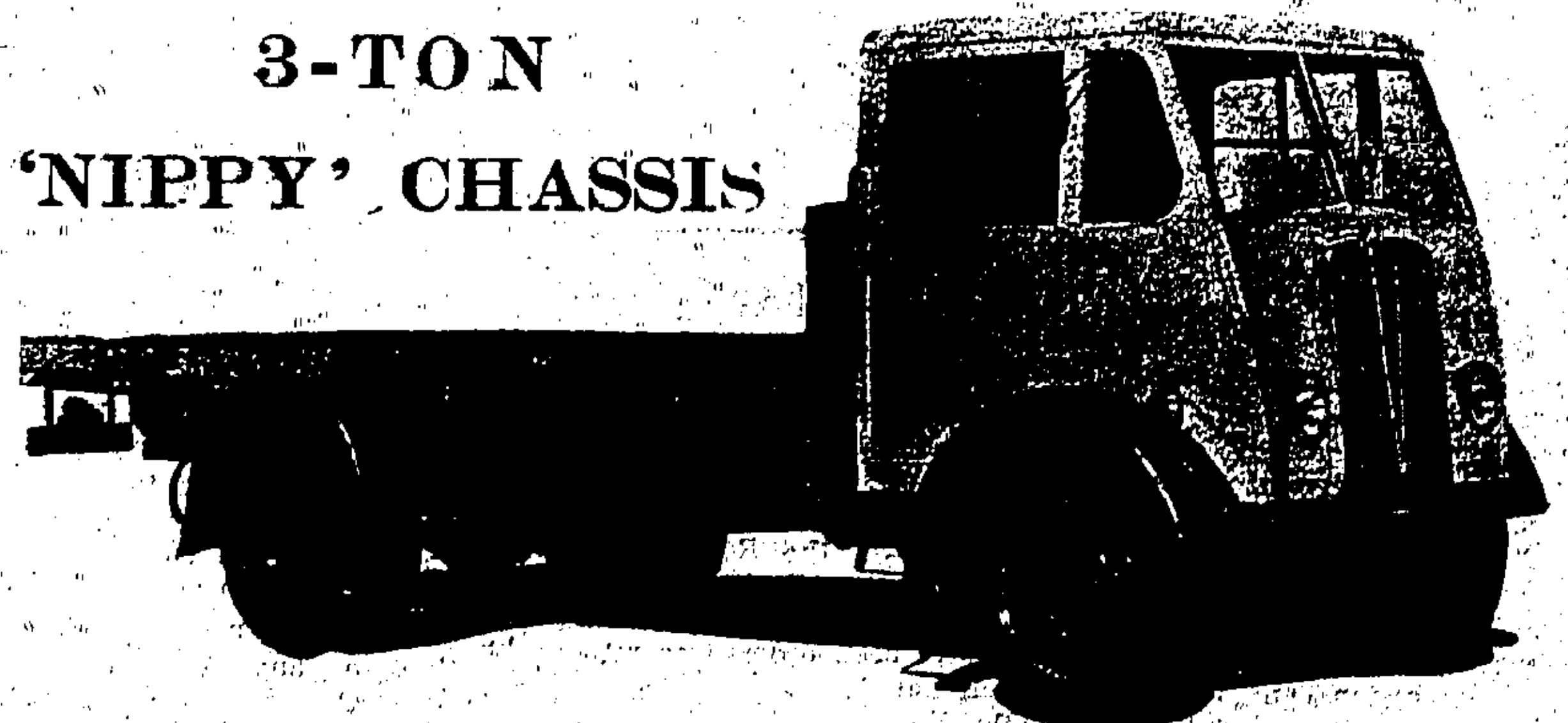
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# Finance and Commerce

## Britain's Check - Up On War - Time Industries

### Returns Must Be Made Up For Supplies Ministry

LONDON, April 2 (Reuter).—A complete check-up on Britain's war time industry is to be prepared by an order made by the Ministry of Supplies, under the Defence Regulations, which requires all factories to make returns regarding their labour and production.

The returns will be required at intervals, and the first, which is due to be rendered on or before April 10, will relate to the first week in April and will cover the engineering, motor vehicle, aircraft and shipbuilding and repairing industries.

The other industries will be dealt with in the subsequent returns.

**VALUABLE INFORMATION**  
As the information collected will reveal the rate at which the war industries are expanding and would, therefore, be of much interest to Germany, the results will not be made public. The scheme aims at the complete planning of labour supplies in the factories for war requirements. The returns will serve three main purposes. They will provide information about the proportion of labour in certain vital

industries which is employed on production for the war effort or in export trade or for the home market respectively.

They will also yield valuable information as to the distribution of skilled labour among the various industries and will be of value to the Area Supply Boards in dealing with problems arising in planning production.

### SILVER MARKET

#### LONDON SILVER

London, April 1 (Reuter).—Silver: Little bear covering. Business very small. Market quiet. In the afternoon, the market was quietly steady.

Spot, 20-7/16d.  
Forward, 20-7/16d.

#### NEW YORK SILVER

New York, April 1 (Reuter).—Silver, Official, 34-3/4.

#### BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, April 1 (Reuter).—Market—Quiet. Offtake, 50 bars.

#### Indian Mint Silver

Ready ..... 58-08  
May 1 Settlement ..... 56-11  
June 3 Settlement ..... 56-15

## HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	TUESDAY 2. APR.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
<b>Banks</b>								
...	...	...	...	H.K. Banks ..... \$1480	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (Col. Reg.) ..... 293 1/2	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. (Loe. Reg.) ..... 293	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Chartered Bank ..... 292 1/2	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Maritime Bank ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Maritime Bank ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Bank of East Asia ..... 292 1/2	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	N. C. & S. Bank ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Insurance	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Canton Insurance ..... 292 1/2	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Union Insurance ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Underwriters ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Fire ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shipping	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Douglas ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Steamships ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Indo-China (Prof.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Indo-China (Def.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shells ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Waterworks ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharves ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Provident ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Provident (new) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Docks C.R.T.S. ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Docks X.R.T.S. ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	do Rts. ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Docks & ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Mining	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Kailash ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Rauba ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Venezuela Gold Fide ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Hong Kong Mines ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Hotels ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Lands ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Do. 4% Debentures ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Shanghai Lands & ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Realities ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Humphreys ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Chinese Realities ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Ewo. (S.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	S'hai Cottons (S.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Zoong Sings (S.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Wing On Textiles (S.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Tramways ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Peak Tram (old) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Peak Tram (new) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Star Ferry ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Yamat Ferry ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Lights (O) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Lights (New) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	China Lights Rts. ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Electric ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Macao Electric ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Sandakan Light ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Telephones (old) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Telephones (new) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Tractoms ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Tractoms (Prof.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Industrials	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Cold. Macg. (Ord.) B. ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Cold. Macg. (Prof.) B. ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Canton Iron ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Cement ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Ropes ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Dairy Farm ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Dairy Farm ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Ch. Raiments ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Constructions (old) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Constructions (new) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Loan Corporation ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Sinco ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Watsons ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Ch. G. 5% 12500 \$Bds. ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Gov. 4% Loan ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Gov. 4% Loan ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	H.K. Wing On ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	S'hai Wing On ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Vibro Piling ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Maramas Inv. (Lon.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Maramas Inv. (H.K.) ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Win. Powells ..... 292	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	Sales 'o Shanghai	...	...	...	...

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, April 1.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952) ..... 99-1/16	15
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5% Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) ..... 58	
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47 ..... 51 1/2	
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908 ..... 50	
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.) ..... 29	
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1912 ..... 30	
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) ..... 10 1/2	
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan ..... 57	
Honan Rly. 5% ..... 15	
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 ..... 19	
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue) ..... 17	
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913 ..... 13	
S'hai-N'King Rly. 5% ..... 21	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) ..... 13	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.) ..... 13	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) ..... 13	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) ..... 13	
Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1907 ..... 50 1/2	
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan, 1924 ..... 54	
Ger. 7% Int'l. Loan, 1924 ..... 7 1/2	
Chartered Bank (Ldn. Reg.) ..... 93 1/2	
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.) ..... 93	
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.) ..... 93	
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) ..... 19	
Chosen Corporation ..... 6 1/8	
Pekin Syndicate ..... 1 1/8	
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co. ..... 15	
S'hai Waterworks "A" ..... 15 1/2	
Union Insurance ..... 29 1/2	
Gula Kalumpung Rubber ..... 18/9	
Allied Ironfounders ..... 14	
Asso. & Elec. Industries ..... 39/4 1/2	
Austin Motors, ord. .... 16/8	
Cable & Wireless, New Form, ord. .... 60 1/2	
B.-A. Tob. (bearer) ..... 103/9	
Mexican Eagle ..... 12 1/2	
Cannell Laird, ord. .... 7 1/4	
Mexican Eagle ..... 6 1/2	
Courtaulds ..... 37/9	
Distillers ..... 68/0	
Dunlop Rubber ..... 34	
Gen. Electric (England) ..... 80/1 1/2	
Guinness (A) Son & Co. ..... 78/6	
Hawker Siddeley Airc. .... 12/10 1/2	
Bristol Aeroplane ..... 15 1/2	
Imperial Chemical Ind. .... 31/10 1/2	
Imperial Tobacco ..... 118/9	
Marks & Sp'cer "A" ord. .... 52/1 1/2	
Rolls Royce ..... 91/3	
Leyland Motors ..... 75	
Tate & Lyle ..... 54/4 1/2	
Turner & Newall ..... 65/9	
United Steel ..... 23/3	
Smethwick Drop Forg. .... 15	
Armstrong Stevens, ord. .... 6	
Pressed Steel, com. .... 17/4 1/2	
Vickers, ord. .... 18/4 1/2	
Woolworths ..... 65	
Anglo-Dutch ..... 23/6	
Rub. Plant, Invest. Trust ..... 31/9 1/2	
Burma Corporation ..... 9/4 1/2	
Commonwealth Mining ..... 14/3	
Marsman Investments ..... 38/9	
Randfontein Estates ..... 16/10 1/2	
Western Holdings ..... 190	
Sub-Nigel ..... 60	
Tanami Gold Mining ..... 52/6	
Anglo-Iranian ..... 70/7 1/2	
Burmah ..... 78/8	
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer) ..... 78/8	
*-Nominal	
1-ex-dividend	

## LIVELY LONDON MARKET

LONDON, Apr. 1 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange today cheerful markets showed numerous final gains, particularly among gilt-edged securities, which reached favourably to the year's national revenue returns. Gold-mining shares also strengthened.

Indian iron holdings eased, despite the declaration of an interim dividend of 12 annas. Wall Street was firm.

## INSURANCE CO. DIVIDENDS

Subject to audits, the Directors of the Insurance Companies mentioned below will recommend the following dividends at the forthcoming annual meetings of the Companies concerned:—  
Union Insurance: Final Dividend, 12s. 6d.  
China Fire Insurance: Dividend \$12; Bonus Dividend, 3s.  
British Traders: Dividend, 7s.

## H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

H.K. Banks were dealt in at \$1490, and a few Unions at \$510 and some H.K. Fires at \$185, the rest of the few dealings was confined to the junior issues. Market generally still quietish.

### BUYERS

H.K. Banks, \$1485.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$182.  
H.K. Docks C. Rts., \$21 1/2.  
Rauba, \$9.85.  
H. & S. Hotels, \$5.10.  
H.K. Electric, \$65.  
Cements, \$19 1/2.  
Watsons, \$9.  
Sinceres, \$2.  
Wing On (H.K.), \$44.  
Entertainments, \$6.80.

### SELLERS

Canton Ins., \$232 1/2.  
Union Ins., \$508.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$186.  
H.K. Docks C. Rts., \$22.  
H.K. Lands, \$37 1/2.  
H.K. Tramways, \$17.80.  
Telephones (O), \$30.  
Telephones (N), \$11.20.

### SALES

H.K. Banks, \$1490.  
Union Ins., \$510.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$185.  
H.K. Docks C. Rts., \$21 1/2.  
Providents, \$4 1/2.  
H.K. Lands, \$37.  
H.K. Docks Rts., \$8 1/2.  
H.K. Tramways, \$17 1/2.  
China Lights (O), \$8.10.  
H.K. Electric, \$65 1/2.  
Telephones (O), \$29 1/2.  
Telephones (N), \$11.  
Watsons, \$9.15.

### MANILA GOLD SHARES

Atoks 14 1/2, Antamok 11s, Baguio Gold 21 1/2, Batong Buhay 01b, Big Wedge 16s, Coco Grove 10 1/2b, Con. Mines 0035b, Demonstration 10 1/2b, L.X.L. 32 1/2b, Ipo Gold 09 1/2b, Itogon Mining 20 1/2b, Masbate Con. 08 1/2b, Mine Operations 08 1/2b, North Gamarines 03s, Paracale Gummaus 17 1/2b, San Mauricio 6 1/2b, Surigao Con. 18 1/2b, Suyoc Con. 12 1/2b, United Paracale 21 1/2b, Mindanao Motherlode 08 1/2b.

## SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Tuesday, April 2, 1940.  
H.K. Banks ..... 10 \$1,490.00  
China Lights (O) 500 ..... 8.10  
China Providents 500 ..... 4.50  
H.K. Docks Rts. 700 ..... 6.75  
H.K. Electric 10 ..... 65.00  
H.K. Lands 200 ..... 37.00  
H.K. Hotels 1,000 ..... 5.15  
H.K. Tramways 500 ..... 17.50  
A.S. Watsons 500 ..... 9.15

3,325  
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## LONDON GOLD

London, April 1 (Reuter).  
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168.

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Lambert, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256



## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## BANKS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

APRIL 2, 1940.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 13 1	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 13 18	
Credits 4 months sight 1 3 1/8	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand ..... 360	
On Singapore:—	
On demand ..... 52 1/8	
On Japan:—	
On demand ..... 92	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 13 1/4	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 1 3/4	
Credits, 60 days' sight 22 5/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand ..... 40 3/8	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 108 5/8	
Credits 4 months' sight 1140	
On Saigon:—	
On demand ..... 108 1/4	
On Manila:—	
On demand ..... 43 1/8	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand ..... 150	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate ... 1/4	
Bar Silver per oz. .... 30 7/16	

## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS.

The price for Ready Silver was unchanged yesterday but the Forward rate dropped 1/16, the quotations being 20 7/16 for both deliveries. Silver advances reported of Bears as having covered to a small extent. A small business was done, the market was quiet. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 355 5/4.

## Market.

Steady but quiet.

## Sterling

No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/2 7/8 April/July and 1/2 7/8 August/November, buyers at 1/2 29/32 Cash and 1/2 7/8 September.

## U. S. Dollars

A small business was done at 21 15/16 for Cash and 21 3/4 June. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 21 7/8 April, 21 13/16 May and 21 11/16 first half June, buyers at 22 for Cash, 21 15/16 April, 21 7/8 May and 21 13/16 first half June.

## Shanghai Dollars

Business was done at 360 1/2. There were sellers at 300, buyers at 303 3/4 for Spot.

## Shanghai Market

Quiet. Sellers of Sterling at 4 1/8 for Spot and U.S. Dollars business done at 6 1/16 for Spot.

## AFTERNOON MARKET

The market was quiet in the afternoon.

## Sterling

No business was reported, finishing with sellers at 1/2 7/8 April/July and 1/2 27/32 August/November, buyers at 1/32 higher, respectively.

## U. S. Dollars

Business was done at 21 15/16 for Cash. The market closed with small sellers at 21 15/16 Cash, 21 7/8 April, 21 13/16 May and probably 21 3/4 June, buyers at 22 for Cash, 21 15/16 April, 21 7/8 May and 21 13/16 June.

## Shanghai Dollars

Closed with sellers at 360 5/8 for Spot.

## Shanghai Market

Sterling, sellers, at 4 1/8 for Spot and U.S. Dollars sellers at 6 1/32 for Spot.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, April 2 (Reuter).

## Official T.T. Rates

	Opening	Closing
London	0/4	0/4
New York	5-7/8	5-7/8
Japan	24-7/8	24-7/8
India	22-1/8	22-1/8
Paris	2-9/4	2-9/4
Hongkong	23-3/4	23-3/4

## Sellers

	Opening	Closing
Spot	0/4-1/8	0/4-1/8
April	0/4-1/8	0/4-1/32
May	0/3-59/64	0/3-59/64

## U. S. Dollars

	Spot	1/2-1/8
Spot	23-1/8	23-1/8
April	5-29/32	5-29/32
May	5-23/32	5-3/4

## Market:—Quiet but steady.

## Merchant Rates

	Sterling	U. S. Dollars
Sterling	0/4-3/32	
U. S. Dollars		\$6

## Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 7-1/4 per cent.

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## COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE &amp; CO.)

## SINGAPORE RUBBER

	Previous	March 30	Closing	Opening	Change
S P O T	35-3/4	35-3/4	35-5/8	off	1/8
APRIL-JUNE	35-3/4	35-3/4	35-5/8	off	1/8
JULY-SEPT.	34-1/2	34-1/2	34-1/2	unch.	
OCT.-DEC.	34-1/4	34-1/4	34-1/4	unch.	

The market was quiet but steady.

## LONDON RUBBER

	Previous	Close	Today's	Change
S P O T	11-1/16	11-1/16	11-1/16	unch.
APRIL	11-1/16	11-1/16	11-1/16	unch.
MAY	11-1/8	11-1/8	11-1/8	unch.
JUNE	11-1/16	11-1/8	up 1/16	
JULY-SEPT.	11	11-1/16	up 1/16	
OCT.-DEC.	10-7/8	10-7/8	unch.	

The market was quiet.

**NEW YORK COTTON:** Narrow and rather reactionary on the prevailing European monetary uncertainties and increasing reports that Britain may have to shift some of her buying from the United States to Brazil if foreign exchange shortage forces her to do so. Trade fixations appeared on the scale down but purchases were insufficient to absorb offerings which mostly originated abroad. The stiffened tone of the textile market failed to be impressive.

**NEW YORK RUBBER:** There was some buying by manufacturers' on optimistic estimates regarding automobile sales. Shipment offerings were light and at higher prices.

**CHICAGO WHEAT:** Prices advanced, somewhat, higher on firm foreign cables and on reports of substantial sales of Canadian wheat for the account of Great Britain. However, there was only a moderate trade, all upturns bringing increased hedge-selling and scattered realizing. Some buying was based on unfavourable moisture reports from a wide area.

**NEW YORK STOCKS:** Previous close, 147.95; Today's close, 147.72; Change off .23.

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Change
New York Cotton, May	10.58	10.48	10.60	10.52	.08 off
New York Rubber, May	18.25	18.18	18.10	18.24	.14 up
Chicago Wheat, May	10.52	10.42	10.44	10.44	unch.
Chicago Corn, May	57	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	unch.
New York Hides, June	13.51	13.30	13.45	13.30	.15 off
NEW YORK COTTON					
May	10.50/60	10.50/48	10.52/53	.08 off	
July	10.39/40	10.28/28	10.30/31	.09 off	
October	10.52	10.43/43	10.46	.06 off	
December	9.86/86	9.78/77	9.78/80	.08 off	
January	9.72/72	9.63/63	9.64/64	.08 off	
March	9.67	9.57/59	9.59	.08 off	
Spot	9.58/58	9.50/50	9.51	.07 off	
Spot	10.73		10.74	.01 up	

Total sales Saturday—21,100 bales.

First notice day for cotton—1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

## NEW YORK RUBBER

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Change
May	18.10/10	18.15/25	18.24/24	.14 up	
July	17.72/72	17.81/81	17.80/80	.08 up	
September	17.59/59	17.71/71	17.70/70	.11 up	
December	17.42/42	17.50/50	17.50/50	.08 up	
January	17.38		17.48	.08 up	

Total sales—1,490 tons.

## CHICAGO WHEAT

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Change
May	104 1/4/104 1/4	104 1/4/104 1/4	104 1/4/105	.1 up	
July	103 1/2/103 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	.1 up	
September	103 1/2/103 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	103 1/2/103 1/2	.1 up	

Saturday's sales—9,959,000 bushels.

## CHICAGO CORN

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Change
May	56 1/2/56 1/2	56 1/2/56 1/2	56 1/2/56 1/2	unch.	
July	57 1/2/57 1/2	57 1/2/57 1/2	57 1/2/57 1/2	.1 up	
September	58 1/2/58 1/2	58 1/2/58 1/2	58 1/2/58 1/2	.1 up	

## WINNIPEG WHEAT

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Change
May	88 1/2/88 1/2	88 1/2/88 1/2	88 1/2/89 1/2	.1 up	
July	89 1/2/89 1/2	89 1/2/89 1/2	89 1/2/90 1/2	.1 up	
October	91 1/2/91 1/2	91 1/2/91 1/2	92	.1 up	

## NEW YORK HIDES

	High	Low	Prev.	Today's	Change
June	13.45/45	13.51/50	13.30/31	.15 off	
September	13.70/72	13.77/75	13.58/58	.12 off	
New York Official	unquoted		34-3/4		

NY-London Cross Rate 3.53-1/4

## LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, April 1 (Reuter).

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buyers sellers

Standard, Cash 245-3/4 248-1/4

Standard, 3 months 243-1/2 243-3/4

Settlement Price 246

Straits 268-1/4 to 271-1/2 nominal

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, April 1 (Reuter).

Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 95-0-0.

New York Exchange

New York, April 1 (Reuter).

T.T. on London (Opening Rate) 3.55.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, April 1 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 89-1/2.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE


## QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Adams Express	49 1/2	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	49 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	22 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	34 1/2
Allied Stores	8 1/2	Loew's Inc.	36 1/2
Allis Chalmers	36 1/2	Loft Incorporated	38
Aluminum Ltd.	105	Mack Truck Inc.	25 1/2
Amer. Can.	115 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	43 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	38 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	31 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	11 1/2	Montanto Chemical	11 1/2
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	24 1/2	Montgomery Ward	53 1/2
American Gas & Elec.	36	Nat. Dairy Products	14 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	20 1/2	Nat. Distillers	26 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	24 1/2	Nat. Aviation	11
Amer. Radiator	8 1/2	Nat. Lead	20
Amer. Rolling Mill	14 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	84
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	50 1/2	National Steel Corp.	67 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	19 1/2	National Supply Corp.	8 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	17 1/2	New York Central	16
Amer. Tobacco "B"	89	Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	10 1/2	N. American Aviation	25 1/2
Anaconda Copper	29 1/2	North American Co.	22 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	23 1/2	Northern Pacific	8
Auburn Motors	11 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	62 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	15 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	33 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	14 1/2	Pacific Lighting	47 1/2
Barnard Oil	5 1/2	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	76	Pan-American Airways	22
Bills & Co.	16	Paramount Pictures	7 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	22 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	22 1/2
Borg-Warner	23 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	37
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	12	Phillips Petroleum	33
Briggs Mfg.	22	Pittsburg Coke & Iron	7 1/2
Brooklyn-M'hattan Trans.	21 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	42
Brooklyn-Manhattan S.	90 1/2	Pullman Inc.	26 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	8	Pure Oil	9 1/2
Cash, J.I.	68 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	6 1/2
Celanese	30 1/2	Reading Company, Com	15 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	40 1/2	Reading Company, 1st pfd	26 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	88 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	40	Republic Steel	20 1/2
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	79 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	13 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6	Reynold Tobacco "B"	41 1/2
Columbia 8 1/2 "A" pf.	87 1/2	Richfield Oil	6 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	45 1/2	Safeway Stores	50 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2	Schenley Distillers	14 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2	Sears Roebuck	86 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	Shell Union Oil	12 1/2
Continental Can	47 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	12
Continental Oil	22 1/2	Southern Pacific	12 1/2
Copperweld Steel	20 1/2	Southern Ry \$5 pfd.	27 1/2
Corn Products	61	Sperry	43
Curtiss Wright (C.)	9 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	37 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	28 1/2	Standard Brands	7
Deere & Co.	22 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	1 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18 1/2	Standard Oil of California	23 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	84 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	43 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	18 1/2	Stone & Webster	10 1/2
Eagle Pitcher Lead	11 1/2	Studebaker Com.	11 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	34	Swift International	28 1/2
Elec. Autolite	38 1/2	Technicolor	15 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	7 1/2	Texas Corp.	45 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	62 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	33 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$3 pf.	71 1/2	Timken-Axle	24 1/2
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf.	31	Trans-America Co.	5 1/2
Fisk Rubber	15 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	11 1/2
Flintkote	20 1/2	20th Cent. Fox \$14 pf.	—
Gen. American Trans.	51 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	83 1/2
Gen. Electric	38 1/2	Union Pacific	95 1/2
Gen. Motors	54	United Aircraft	48
Gen. Railway S'ignals	17	United Airlines Trans.	21 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	20 1/2	United Corp.	2 1/2
Glidden Co.	17 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	39
Goodrich (B.F.)	18 1/2	United Gas Corp.	13 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	67 1/2	United Gas Improvement	14
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Great Western Sugar	24 1/2	U.S. Steel	58 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	16	Vanadium	35 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	96 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft	8 1/2
Hormel Food Products	58 1/2	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
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A customary diplomatic welcome had been arranged for the new Minister, but his plane was delayed six hours by storms over the Alleghenies.

The Marquis of Lethbride, British Ambassador, and George T. Sumner, State Department Protocol Officer, presuming the flight would not be completed until the next day, went home. A little cluster of reporters did the honours when the plane unexpectedly arrived.

Major Casey is a great flying enthusiast, as is his wife, who will arrive here with her two children in about a month.

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## SHIPPING BOOM IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, April 2. (Reuter).—During the first six months of the war the Allies bought 119,000 tons of American merchant shipping, announces the Foreign Policy Commission. In addition 245,000 tons were sold to neutrals.

Africa already have Ministers stationed in Washington.

United States Minister to Australia will be Clarence Gauss, who will have the honour of setting up the first foreign legation on Australian soil at Canberra. (Christian Science Monitor).



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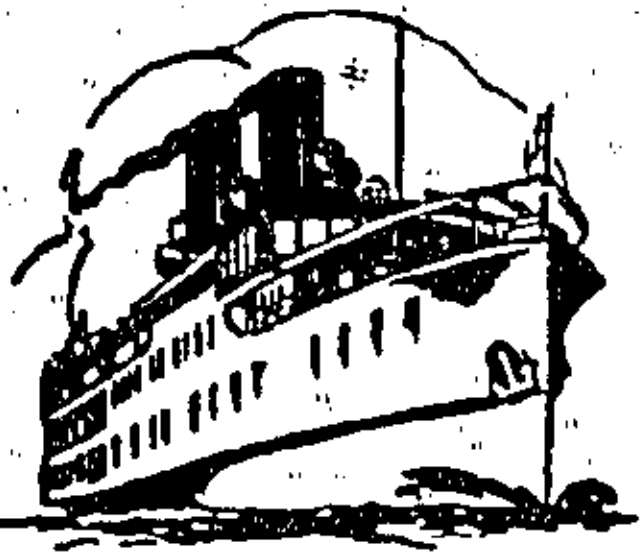
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MR. CHAMBERLAIN

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been criticised as unnecessary in view of the complete unity of purpose already existing between our two countries.

"But it goes far beyond the expression of the British and French determination to fight together for complete victory and to provide for continuous Anglo-French collaboration in the establishment of peace, and in the reconstruction of an international order, designed to ensure the liberty of peoples, respect for law, and the maintenance of peace in Europe.

"Two salient features of the declaration were, firstly, that any proposals for peace, whatever their source, would not even be discussed before this country and France had reached full agreement on the requirements for a true peace, safeguarding their own security, and that of other free nations in Europe (cheers); and

"Secondly, that after the conclusion of peace, while the assistance of other nations will be welcomed, in the reconstruction of Europe, the Anglo-French community of action will be maintained in all spheres, so long as may be necessary, to effect and consolidate this reconstruction (cheers).

## POLISH ALLIES

"I would like to say a word here about our Polish allies to whom we are already bound not to make peace except by common agreement. Mr. Churchill spoke eloquently the other evening of them and, in particular, of the prowess of the units of the Polish Navy at present operating with the Royal Navy. Divisions of the Polish Army are reforming in France and Polish airmen are being trained, both in this country and in France.

"We are confident that these forces will give a good account of themselves in the common struggle in which we are now engaged.

"Returning now to the meeting of the Supreme War Council the picture which was presented to the Allies by the present situation was of a Germany putting her own interpretation on the obligations of neutrals and accompanying it by threats of dire consequences which might result to them from failure to comply with the German demands. This problem, which Germany has raised of the double standard of neutrality is one which we and the neutrals now have to face. The policy of the Allies has been determined by the scrupulous regard for neutral rights whereas Germany has not hesitated to destroy neutral property and murder nationals of neutral States whenever it suited her policy to do so (cheers).

## NEUTRAL RIGHTS

Mr. Chamberlain continued. "She has not scrupled to threaten the invasion of neutral countries in order to prevent them taking steps to assist their neighbours against aggression or to protect their own interests. Our respect for neutral rights and our sympathy for the practical difficulties of neutrals must not blind us to the fact that any aid they may give to Germany might, if carried far enough, render them in the end liable to the hideous fate that has overtaken previous victims of German policy (loud cheers).

"If we are to bring this war to a close with the least possible destruction and dislocation of our common spiritual and material civilisation we must deprive Germany of materials most essential for the prosecution of her aggressive policy.

"The Allies are, therefore, determined to prosecute the economic war to the utmost of their power. Already much has been accomplished. Negotiations for war trade agreements have been successfully concluded with Norway, Sweden, Iceland, Belgium and Holland and an agreement with Denmark has been signed this afternoon at the Foreign Office.

"Discussions are also proceeding in Paris for a similar agreement between the Allies and Switzerland and commercial agreements of an important character have been reached with Spain, Greece and Turkey.

## FINANCIAL DISCUSSIONS

"We have been happy to welcome the Vice-Governor of the National Bank of Yugoslavia who is at present in London for economic and financial discussions and a mission is expected shortly from Rumania to discuss a revision of the existing payments

agreement. We are also looking forward to a visit to this country at the end of the week of M. Georges Monnet, French Minister of Blockade.

"All war trade agreements, in which we have entered, contain stipulations regulating exports of neutral countries' own domestic produce to Germany. For example, these stipulations provide for strict limitation of exports to Germany of fats essential to her war effort. Another weapon in our armoury is that of purchase.

"It is obviously out of the question to purchase the entire exportable supplies of Germany's neighbours but concentration on certain selected commodities, such as mineral fats and oil, is to an ever-increasing extent, reducing the supply of these commodities available to Germany. For instance, we have completed arrangements to purchase the entire exportable surplus of Norway's current catch of whale oil and, though it is preferable that I should not go into detail, I can say that the Allied purchases of minerals in south-eastern Europe have been on a large scale. British trade with a number of Germany's neutral neighbours is undoubtedly capable of being substantially developed and I look forward to the intensification of trade exchanges to our mutual benefit.

"It is time the countries concerned must realise that we cannot agree to make available to them products drawn from Empire sources unless, in return, they are prepared to give us guarantees as to the limitation of their future trade with Germany.

## IMPORTANT WEAPON

"The most important of all the weapons of our economic warfare is the employment of our sea power and the Allies are determined to continue and intensify the use of this weapon to the full. His Majesty's ships have already taken certain practical steps to interfere with the unimpeded passage of German cargo ships from Scandinavia. These operations have been carried out in close proximity to the German naval bases, showing, once again how empty are the German boasts that control of the North Sea has passed into their hands, and other measures are under consideration.

"The House may be assured we have not yet reached the limit of our effective operations in this region, the scene of the sinking of so many neutral ships and the murder of so many neutral seamen. Our attention has also recently been drawn to the possibility that Germany may have been finding ways and means for increasing her supplies from neutral sources by routes confined to land and hitherto hardly used. We have carefully reviewed the situation and we intend to take suitable measures.

"I may remind Members, in this connection, that His Majesty's ships recently stopped in Far Eastern waters Soviet ships suspected of carrying contraband destined for Germany, via Vladivostok.

## SOUTH-EASTERN EUROPE

"We heard a great deal recently of possible developments in south eastern Europe. It was even suggested by German propaganda that it was our aim to disturb the Balkans with Turkey. We have, on the contrary, contributed most effectively to maintaining the peace and security of south-eastern Europe.

"In order to examine the many urgent problems, both political and economic, it was decided, added Mr. Chamberlain, to summon the British Ministers in the Balkan capitals to London for purposes of consultation. The British Ambassador in Rome would also be in London at the time on short leave of absence.

Mr. Chamberlain said he was sure the House would welcome this initiative "which we hope will have fruitful results both for the Allied cause and for the maintenance of peace and security in that area." Concluding Mr. Chamberlain again referred to the Supreme War Council each meeting of which had illustrated more clearly the strength of ties binding the two countries.

"It is our hope that these meetings may be held more frequently and at more regular intervals, not only to forward the prosecution of the war, but also to enable us to perfect the machinery which will be required for consolidating European peace at the end of the war." (Loud Cheers).

LOOPHOLES  
IN ALLIED  
BLOCKADEAN AMERICAN  
ESTIMATE

NEW YORK, Apr. 2 (Reuter)—An American estimate of the loopholes in the Allied blockade of Germany is made by the New York World Telegram, which states that exports from the United States to the neutrals around Germany have increased since the beginning of the war more than German imports have decreased.

According to the newspaper, direct imports of cotton, iron and steel products, tin, aluminium and other products into Germany fell by \$157,000,000 since last September.

On the other hand, imports by the neutral countries, Belgium, Holland, Hungary, Switzerland, Italy, Yugoslavia and Rumania from the United States in the same commodities have increased by \$17,000,000.

## NAZIS ANXIOUS

LONDON, Apr. 2 (Reuter)—Messages from Berlin to the neutral press states that measures are being planned by the Allies to tighten the blockade and increasing the anxiety of Nazi officials who commented thereon with the usual threats to the neutrals.

The report that 27 German ships are preparing to operate in the Adriatic was denied by a Nazi official who stated: "The entire world knows that at present it is impossible for German ships to ply these waters."

BADMINTON  
LEAGUEAnother Win For  
University

The University secured their second victory in successive days when they trounced the Recreio "B" in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League at the Eu Tong-sen Gymnasium last night by eight games to one.

F. S. Bun and Miss Ulan Khoo (Univ.) beat C. Pereira and Miss M. Xavier 21-2; beat H. Gonsalves and Miss S. Remedios 21-4; beat N. Beltrao and Mrs. E. Souza 21-5.

H. F. Chiu and Miss Ueng Khoo (Univ.) beat Pereira and Miss Xavier 21-3; lost to Gonsalves and Miss Remedios 16-21; beat Beltrao and Mrs. Souza 21-15.

K. L. Yong and Miss K. J. Hung (Univ.) beat Pereira and Miss Xavier 21-14; beat Gonsalves and Miss Remedios 21-16; beat Beltrao and Mrs. Souza 21-11.

## DOUBLES MATCH

In the semi-final of the Men's Doubles Badminton championship, played at the Recreio last night, P. H. Wong and C. Au defeated H. Eardley and N. L. Smith.

At the Kowloon C.C. tonight, K. L. Yong and H. F. Chiu will meet M. A. Oliveira and A. M. Silva.

In the semi-finals of the Open Singles, H. Eardley will meet C. Au at the Recreio while P. H. Wong will be opposed to K. L. Yong tomorrow.

LINCOLNSHIRE  
PROBABLES

LONDON, Apr. 2 (Reuter)—The following are the probable starters and jockeys in the Lincolnshire—Golden Sovereign (Beary), Hot-bun Second (Sam Wagers), Boom-a-Daisy (Nevett), Womersley (Marshall) Time Step (Rattle), Titan (E. Smith), Quarter Maitre (Gordon Richards), Nagor (Christie), Floretti (H. Smirke), Paulbeg (Gunn), Davy Dollittle (A. Burns), Squadron Castle (Mitchell), Reynolds Lodge (Maher), Rosetown (D. Smith), Aldine (Richardson), Ticcagari (Tucker), Unclearchie (Mullins), The Straight Four (Dyson), Punt Gun (Dick), Hamac (Sharpe) and Corena (Fittion).

INDIAN FALLS  
INTO HOLD

Several accidents were reported to the police yesterday. Narsingh Singh, watchman of a ship in harbour, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries to the spine and head sustained as the result of falling 12 feet into a hold. His condition is serious.

Three godown coolies suffered internal injuries when bags of flour fell on them in No. 25 godown of the Kowloon Godowns yesterday.

Chung Hing, employed on board the tug Henry Keswick, suffered injuries to his hand when he fell, while Yik Ping had several fingers crushed when his hand was caught between some iron bars.

## FOREIGN MAILS

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## INWARD MAILS

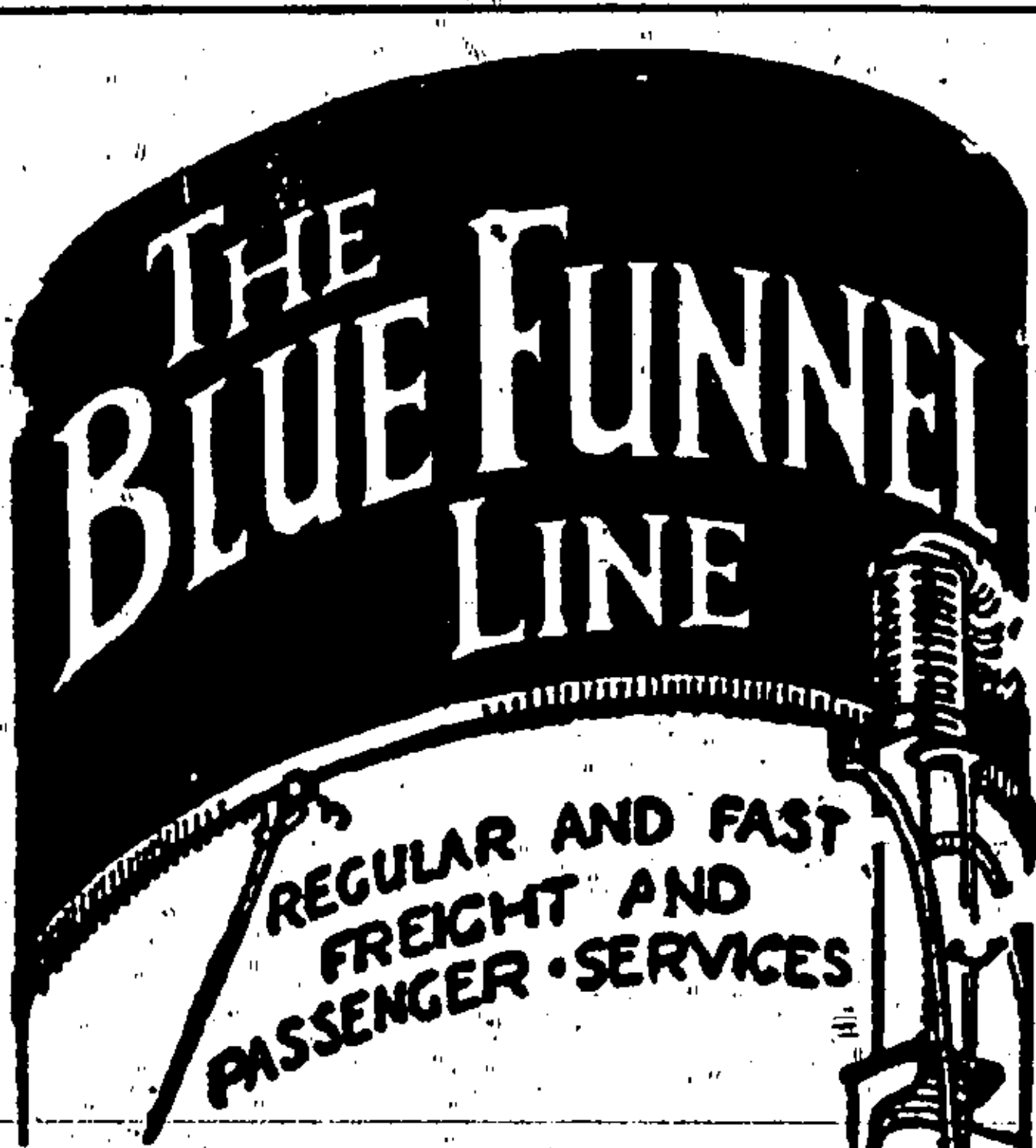
From	Due
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service" — Paris date, 27th March.	3rd Apr.
Shanghai	3rd Apr.
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Shanghai	3rd Apr.
Java and Manila	3rd Apr.
Shanghai	3rd Apr.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	4th Apr.
Saigon	4th Apr.
Australia and Manila	4th Apr.
Shanghai	4th Apr.
Straits	4th Apr.
Canton	4th Apr.
U. S. A. & Manila (San Francisco date, 28th Feb.)	4th Apr.
Japan	4th Apr.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London, date 27th March.	5th Apr.
Japan	5th Apr.
Canton	5th Apr.
Straits and Saigon	5th Apr.
Straits	5th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	6th Apr.
Europe via Suez and Straits—(London date, 2nd March)	6th Apr.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 5th March)	6th Apr.
Shanghai	6th Apr.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 31st March.	7th Apr.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service" London date, 30th March.	7th Apr.
Australia and Manila	7th Apr.
Japan and Manila	7th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	7th Apr.
U.S.A. and Manila—(San Francisco date, 18th Mar.)	7th Apr.
Haiphong	7th Apr.
Shanghai and Amoy	7th Apr.
Haiphong and Holhow	8th Apr.
Shanghai	8th Apr.
Canton	9th Apr.
Manila	10th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	10th Apr.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 13th March)	11th Apr.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 19th March)	11th Apr.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai — (Vancouver B. C. date, 23rd March)	11th Apr.
Sandakan	12th Apr.
Shanghai	14th Apr.
Haiphong	15th Apr.

## OUTWARD MAILS

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For	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY	Wed. 3rd
U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada only) —due San Francisco, 20th April	Reg. 9.45 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
Fort Bayard	1.30 PM
Manila	2.30 PM
Shanghai	3.30 PM
Airmail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris 11th April	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM
THURSDAY	Thu. 4th
Canton	7.15 AM
K.P.O.	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM
G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Reg. 3rd 5.00 PM Ord. 4th 8.20 AM
G.P.O.	Reg. 3rd 5.00 PM Ord. 4th 8.30 AM
Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 4th May and London—Parcels—due London, 12th May	10.30 AM
Amoy	1.30 PM
Shanghai and Japan	1.30 PM
Amoy	2.30 PM
Swatow and (Shanghai) Parcels only	2.30 PM
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion and Madagascar	2.30 PM
Parcel Mail for Straits	6.00 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 17th April	7.00 PM
Amoy	7.00 PM
FRIDAY	Fri. 5th
Sandakan	12.30 PM
Fort Bayard and Holhow	1.30 PM
Shanghai	2.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco-Marques, East and South Africa	2.30 PM
Haiphong	3.00 PM
SATURDAY	Sat. 6th
Canton	7.15 AM
Parcels only for Tientsin	2.30 PM
Shanghai	2.30 PM
Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin	5.00 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 14th April	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 6.30 PM
Japan	6.30 PM
SUNDAY	Sun. 7th
Dairen	8.30 AM

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